

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brey have removed from West Philadelphia to Upper Darby. We wish them happiness in their new home.



The Rt. Reverend, the Bishop of Nevada, will preach at St. Philip's on the evening of January 17, which is Mission Sunday. The Rev. Dr. Correll, of Japan, will preach on the morning of the same day. We feel greatly honored in having such distinguished men to plead the cause of Domestic and Foreign Missions. Dr. Robinson was elected Bishop at the Richmond Convention, in 1907. Dr. Correll has worked in Japan for thirty-six years. Without doubt, our church ought to be crowded at both morning and evening services.



The Sunday School Institute of the Diocese of Pennsylvania takes place at the Church of the Holy Apostles, January 18. All teachers of St. Philip's must make special effort to attend. Our congregation will note with interest that our Rector has been asked to speak upon "Music in the Sunday School."

On January 17, at 8.00 A. M., there will

be a Corporate Communion for all our teachers.

Junior Department

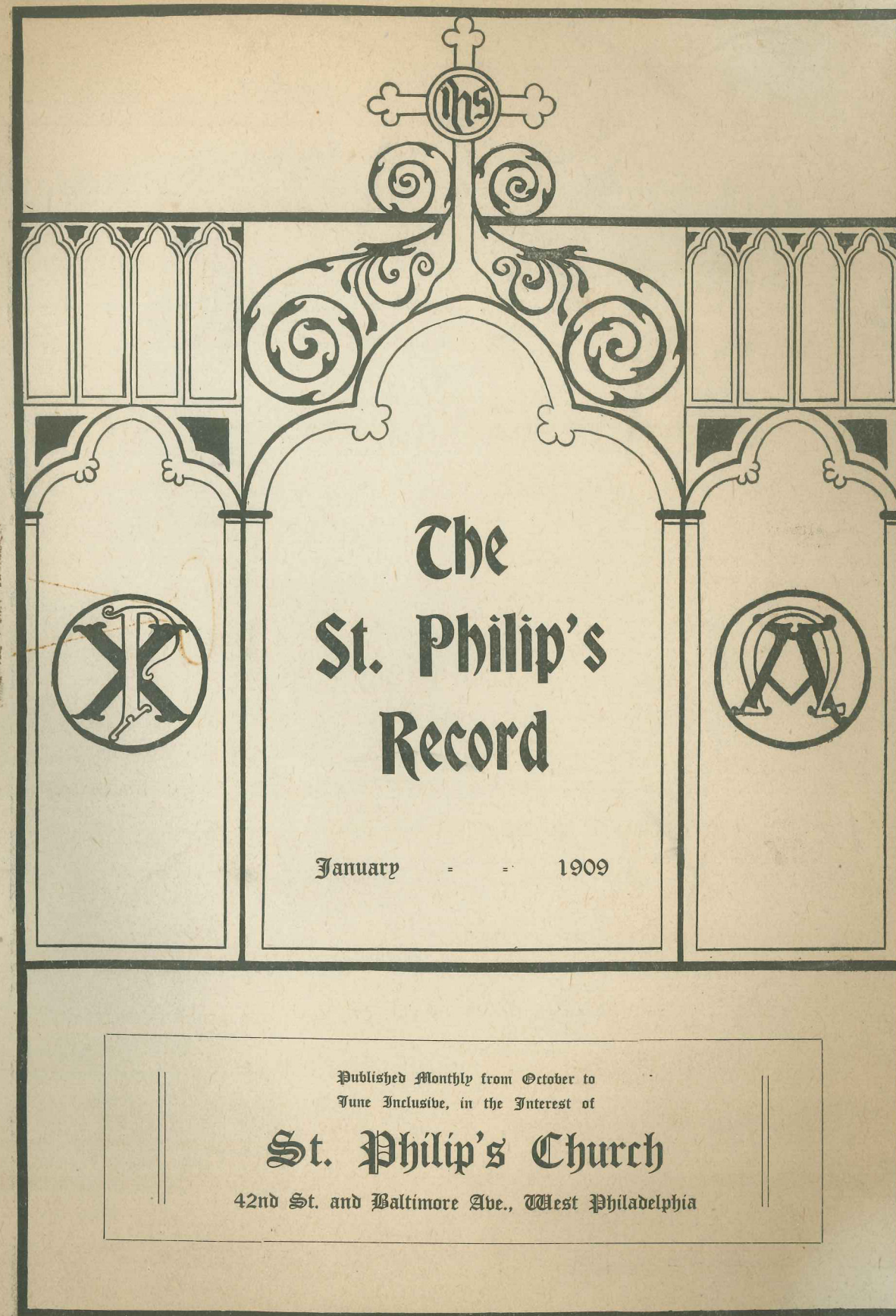
The scholars and teachers of the Junior Department presented their Department with a Christmas present, in the shape of a beautiful red velvet and gold-trimmed banner.

Class No. I, having the best attendance for the three months, carried the banner into church for the Christmas service, and will hold it during the month of January. The members of the class are as follows: Miss Richards (teacher), Harry Sterritt, Sophy Bispham, William Williamson, Isabel Coho, John Culin, Marietta Waller, Charles Ruff.

The Sunday School Advent Offering

This Advent just passed was set aside by the Sunday School, to devote the entire offerings of the four Sundays to the Mission Work within the Diocese; for which a special fund of \$100,000, Bishop Mackay-Smith is raising for the purpose.

It was a new departure for the School, and the total offerings for the Advent period was \$34.88; and this sum will be forwarded to Bishop Mackay-Smith for the fund.



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Sunday 8 and 11 A. M.; 8 P. M.
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The Holy Communion Sundays, 8.00 A. M.
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Saint's Days 9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer Fridays, 5.00 P. M.

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Communicants coming into the parish, or leaving it, should comply with the following Canon (Title II, Canon XII, Section I):—

A communicant removing from one parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the parish or congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

Canon XIV, Section V, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, further provides that:—

No such minister or church warden * * * shall add to such list [i. e., the list of communicants] or to the record of his parish the name of any person who has not become a communicant in said parish, or admitted as a communicant therein in accordance with Title II, Canon XI, Section II, of the Canons of the Church.

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Lay Reader.—CHRISTOPH KELLER.

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Treasurer, Eugene Muller.

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Vice-President, Mrs. W. P. Bement.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Stacey.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. George Sayen.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. Earle Wagner.
Meets third Tuesday every month at 3 P. M.

Chancel Society

President, The Rector.
In Charge of Altar Linen, Mrs. F. M. Johnson.

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Vice-President, Mrs. C. L. Murphy.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. P. Bement.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. P. Muller.
Treasurer, United Offering, Mrs. Chas. H. Buckley.
The stated meeting is the last Monday of the month, at 3 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting

In charge of The Rector.
Meets every Tuesday evening, at 8 P. M.

Mens' Association

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Vice President, William B. Kessler.
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Secretary, Lee S. Harris.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Director, Edmund B. McCarthy.
Vice Director, Edward R. Longstreth.
Secretary and Treasurer, F. M. Hutchinson.
Meets second Wednesday in month.

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Kalendar for January

- 1—Friday, "Circumcision." Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.
3—Second Sunday after Christmas. Services, 8.00, 11.00, 2.30, 8.00.
6—Wednesday, Feast of the Epiphany. 9.30 A. M.
8—Friday, Evening Prayer, 5.00 P. M.
10—First Sunday after Epiphany. Services, 8.00, 11.00, 2.30, 8.00.
12—Tuesday. Supper by Ladies' Aid, 6.00 P. M.
14—Thursday. Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.
15—Friday, Evening Prayer, 5.00 P. M.
15—Friday. Lecture by Prof. Sutton Fletcher, "The Cathedrals and Abbeys of Great Britain," 8.00 P. M.
17—Second Sunday after Epiphany. Services, 8.00, 11.00, 2.30, 8.00.
21—Thursday. Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.
22—Friday. Service, Missionary, at 3.00 P. M., and address by Rev. Everitt P. Smith, Educational Secretary of the Board of Missions.
24—Third Sunday after Epiphany. Services, 8.00, 11.00, 2.30, 8.00.
25—Monday. Conversion of St. Paul. 9.30 A. M.
28—Thursday. Holy Communion. 9.30 A. M.
29—Friday. Evening Prayer. 5.00 P. M.
25—Monday. Stated Meeting of Woman's Auxiliary, 3.00 P. M. Address by Mrs. Correll, of Japan.
31—Fourth Sunday after Epiphany. Services, 8.00, 11.00, 2.30, 8.00.

Record from Parish Register

Marriages.

- Dec. 9—Edward Ross McElrath and Eleanor Bird Hand.
16—Arthur B. Krout, M.D., and Mary Ryland Hay.
19—Thomas Philip Hammer and Thalia Lynch Dobson.
22—Ellicott Ross Carver and Marie Drake Emory.

Communicants Added.

- Dec. 4—Elizabeth B. Davis,
Katharine Louise Davis,
Elma Morrison Caffrey,
Harry Biegel Davis.
16—Randolph Greenfield Adams,
Henry Clay Adams,
Alexander Franklin Gouldard.
Mrs. John Stokes Adams.

Communicants Received.

- Jan. 1, 1909—J. William Mills—St. James's, Philadelphia.
Maggie Sloan Mills—Memorial Church, Baltimore, Md.

Present number of Communicants, 630.

The Record

With this issue, begins the second volume of "The Record," under the new management, and the year just past has been a very successful one; for not only has the paper met all expenses, but a balance of \$1.57 remains in the treasury towards the new year.

As a distributor of news of the parish, the departure made last January, has been welcomed by the congregation as, owing to the management assuming the entire publication, the additional space gained thereby enabled the printing of many more news items and notices than were possible under the old method.

"The Record" therefore takes this opportunity of thanking the congregation for the liberal manner in which they have supported the paper during 1908, and begs to announce that with the issuing of this, the January number, that all subscriptions and donations for the coming year are due, and asks that all such be sent or handed as soon as possible to the Business Manager, Mr. George Sayen, 433 S. Forty-third street.

Below is given the total receipts and expenditures for the past year:

Total receipts for 1908 \$139 82
Total expenditures for 1908 138 25

Balance on hand \$1 57

The Church Supper

The congregation is reminded that the Church Supper will be held on the evening of January 12, 1909, between the hours of 5.30 and 8.00 P. M.; tickets, the price of which are fifty cents each, have been sent to each member of the congregation.

The supper is given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid, and the menu, which is an excellent one, is as follows:

Chicken Soup

Fried Oysters	Chicken Croquets
Chicken Salad	Potato Chips
Cold Ham	Cold Tongue
Coffee	Tea
	Rolls

It is earnestly hoped that the congregation will give the supper their hearty support, as it is not only an attractive menu, but an opportunity to meet many of the parishioners in a social way, and to become better acquainted with each other.

Altar Flowers

With the exception of the six Sundays in Lent, we try to have flowers for the Altar every Sunday, from October to June, inclusive. This can be accomplished by spending only one dollar and fifty cents each Sunday. Already a plan has been suggested that is a good plan, if only it can be adopted by the different families of the Church. Let each Sunday's flowers be the privilege of one family. For example, Mr. and Mrs. X have the right to provide flowers for the First Sunday in Epiphany. Mr. and Mrs. Y have the same privilege for the First Sunday after Easter, Mr. and Mrs. W. take Easter Day itself, and so on. Applications for the designation of particular Sundays should be made to the Rector, who will next month publish a list of the Sundays already taken. There is a special florist who has supplied flowers at this contract price. Parents who wish to thank God for the birth or restoration from sickness of their child, are reminded that this presentation of flowers is a good opportunity

to set forth their Thanksgiving to Almighty God. Those who wish to remember their beloved ones who are in Paradise are asked to give in memoriam.

The Rector hopes that the list of those wishing to take a Sunday may be large. Miss Willets, of 4405 Spruce street, is Treasurer of the Fund for Flowers, and all monies for this purpose should be sent to her.

Reasons Why

All our men should subscribe most liberally towards the Fund to pay off the mortgage.

To our prayers: O! Lord, we join our unfeigned thanks for all thy mercies.

Our Being
Our Reason
All our Endowments
Our Health
Our Friends
Our Food
Our Raiment, and

All the other comforts and conveniences of life.

We bless Thee for Thy patience with us; Thy continual care and watchful Providence over us; and the mercies and benefits of the past day.

We beseech Thee to continue these, Thy blessings, to us and to give us grace to show our thankfulness.

The Sunday School

The record attendance of the Sunday School since the opening last September, was on the afternoon of December 20, when the total of 218 teachers and scholars were counted present for the day; and as the roll of the school contains 247, the percentage of attendance was exceeding high, being an average of 88%.

The Sunday School has been fortunate in having splendid weather every Sunday; thereby enabling all the departments to maintain a high record of attendance, and

new scholars are constantly being added to the roll.

This year, the School decided on a new idea of remembering at Christmas time those who were not so fortunate as to receive the joys that attend those who know of the Christmas Season; the idea being that each class throughout the Sunday School agreeing to fill two stockings; to be given away to the children of the Southwark Neighborhood House, at 101 Ellsworth street; in the Settlement District of the city; this settlement work is under the charge of one of the teachers in our Sunday School, and the sending of the stockings carried a two-fold giving in consequence.

Every class responded with its share, and several large bundles were dispatched to the settlement district; carrying with it the best of good wishes for a Merry Christmas from the teachers and scholars of St. Philip's Sunday School.

A very pleasant and happy afternoon was spent on Saturday, December 26, it being the annual Christmas entertainment of the Sunday School; the Parish Room was comfortably filled with the teachers and scholars, who enjoyed an excellent program arranged for their benefit.

The entertainment began promptly at three o'clock, and consisted of songs and recitations; followed by a magician, whose sleight of hand and tricks were most enjoyed by the children. The program was concluded by a ventriloquist, who also greatly amused those present.

After the performance, a box of candy was given to each scholar and teacher, and the afternoon was voted by all a splendid success.

On Sunday afternoon, December 27, was held the Christmas Festival of the Sunday School in the church; the school assembled at the regular hour, and at three o'clock, marched into the church to sing their Christmas carols.

The volunteer choir that sang so well during Lent, led the procession, headed by the Rector, followed by the Sunday School according to the different departments; each having their banners.

The service, conducted by the Rector, was as follows:

Processional: Hymn 59.

Versicles and Lord's Prayer.

Carol: Joyous Christmas.

Lesson.

Magnificat.

Offertory and Carol, Christ is Born.

Te Deum—Responsive Reading.

Address—By the Rector.

Carol—Come to the Feast of Gladness.

Closing Prayers and Benediction.

Recessional: Hymn 59.

The Rector's address was of five minute's duration, and his talk to the scholars was listened to with much interest.

The Banner Classes in the Senior Departments for perfect attendance for the month of December were as follows:

Girls: Miss H. E. Blakiston's Class, composing the following: Natalie Wark, Marjorie Hunter and Beatrice Hunter.

Boys: Mrs. James B. Simes' Class, composing the following: Stanley Kerk, Paul Kerk, William J. Rodgers, George G. Barclay.

Mr. Christoph Keller's Class: Earl Wagner, Fairman Connell, Eric Lehman, J. Palmer Fullerton, Jr., Marshall G. Smith, Herbert Radford.

As there were two classes among the boys having perfect attendance, the Superintendent awarded another banner, making three classes perfect in attendance for December.

The record of attendance for the month of December was as follows:

	1907		1908
Dec. 8	185	Dec. 6	208
15	164	13	199
22	156	20	218
29	Anniversary No record	27	Anniversary 188

The average attendance of the Sunday School since the opening on September

20, has been 188, compared to 144, with that of 1907.

The banner class of the Primary Department for the month of December was the class of Miss Margaret Burtnett, the percentage being 94%. The members are: Virginia Barclay, Anna Lukers, Anita Marburg, Jean Mumford, Josephine Murphy, Herbert Ferree, Harrison Sayen.

Offerings for Missions

On the 17th of January, the third Sunday in Epiphany, we make our annual appeal for Foreign and Domestic Missions. To tell the plain truth, my dear people, we do not give anything like the amount of money we ought to give. Last year we gave \$192. Now, each member ought to give at least one dollar. This is one of the very few times in the year when I plead earnestly for money which, in this case, helps more than any other offering that we give during the whole year. Let us, in 1909, strive to live up to our plain duty in the matter of giving to Missions.

Sunday School, Take Notice

The Rector calls attention to the Illustrated Lecture, to be given by Prof. Sutton Fletcher, at the Parish House, January 15. It is free to all. A synopsis of the lecture is given in another part of "The Record." He cordially invites all who read this interesting subject matter to come, and promises them a most entertaining evening.

Lecture for the Sunday School

The Rector has arranged a most excellent lecture, to be given in the Parish House on Friday evening, January 15, 1909, at eight o'clock; to be given by Prof. Sutton Fletcher, the topic being "The Cathedrals and Abbeys of Britain."

Professor Fletcher is well-known as a lecturer, and the topic is one well worth

hearing; the illustrations and lantern slides which accompany his talk are of a very high standard, and well worth seeing.

This lecture is arranged especially for the scholars of the Sunday School and their friends; there will be no charge, and all are cordially invited.

Friday evening was particularly set aside by the Rector for the date, so that the scholars would be able to be present. Professor Fletcher's letter, arranging for the lecture is appended; it is hoped that a large attendance will be on hand.

Philadelphia, December 10, 1908.

Rev. Clarence Wyatt Bispham, B.D.,

Dear Sir:—Herewith I enclose circular with lecture marked for Friday, January 15, 1909.

The route will be somewhat as follows: Canterbury, Salisbury, Exeter, Winchester, St. Alban's Wells, Gloucester, Hereford, Worcester, Lichfield, Chester, Peterborough, Lincoln, Carlisle, Durham, York, St. Paul's, Oxford, Cambridge, Westminster Abbey, Lintern, Bolton Priory, Fountain's Abbey, Glastonbury, Furness, Stonehenge. This is just an outline in the rough, and, of course, I will leave you to write up the notice for your magazine, to suit yourself. Last night, I delivered this lecture in the new auditorium of the High School at Darby, to an audience of 600 or 700 people, by whom it was received with boundless enthusiasm. I hope we shall have a good audience at St. Philip's on January 15, each member of which I am sure will be delighted and impressed. I am, sir,

Yours Most Faithfully,

Sutton Fletcher.

In this lecture, the audience is treated to all that is grand and sublime in connection with this unrivalled group of master churches. Around their hoary heads the air is thick with history, Legend, and Romance, within their sacred walls some of the most sublime scenes, and some of the blackest crimes have been enacted,

from their pulpits some of the most fiery denunciations, and some of the sweetest messages of love and comfort have sounded forth to the generations as they have passed along; as we sit beneath these gorgeous roofs we see again the long line of Kings and Queens, Bishops and Archbishops, Knights and Ladies, Tyrants and Martyrs who have long ago appeared before the Great White Throne. The illustrations with this lecture are magnificent. "THE CATHEDRALS AND ABBEYS OF BRITAIN"

Organ Recital for January

January 3

Offertoire in Bb	Read
Allegro in F	Stern
Communion in G	Guilmant
Largo	Handel
Eventide	Meale

January 10

Pastorale	Foote
Scherzoso	Rogers
Allegretto Grazioso	Tours

January 17

Humoreske	Dvorak
Festival March	Teilmann
Offertoire Ab	Batiste

January 24

(a) Legend	MacDowell
(b) Maestoso	MacDowell
Grand Choeur	Faulkes
Cavatina	Raff

January 31

Berceuse Db	Faulkes
Fantasia on Chimes	Harriss
Gavotte Moderne	Lemare

Letters of Transfer

The Rector calls attention to the Canon which asks that communicants leaving one Parish for another, shall procure letters dismissary. This is a wise precaution. He asks that it be strictly obeyed. While the Rector has the right to add to St. Philip's those who commune there, but

who for various good reasons have no letters, and at the same time, he has the right to remove from the list those who have ceased attending the Church, yet, in order to have all who come and stay away, it is most desirable that letters shall be presented or asked for. This is not the Rector's ruling; it is from the Canon of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and therefore should be obeyed.

Visit of Educational Secretary

The Woman's Auxiliary and the teachers of the Sunday School are hereby notified that the Rev. Everitt P. Smith, of New York, will come among us on Friday, January 22, at 3.00 P. M. He will hold an informal conference with the teachers at the Parish House at 8.00 P. M. His visit is most timely, and all should make an effort to be present.

Meetings

The Ladies' Aid held their regular monthly meeting on December 15. Mrs. Constant E. Jones, the President, presiding, with thirty-two ladies present; the Church Supper to be given on January 12, was discussed and donations asked for same.

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Philip's Church held its monthly meeting on December 28, at 3.00 P. M.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew held its regular meeting on Wednesday evening, December 8, at the residence of the Secretary, Francis M. Hutchinson, 4700 Springfield avenue; the Director, Edmund B. McCarthy, presiding.

The Teachers' Meeting for explanation of the Sunday School Lesson, is held every Wednesday evening in the Parish House, conducted by the Rector. All are cordially invited to be present!

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Rector's Bible Class 8.30 P. M.

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Treasurer, Mrs. J. Earle Wagner, 320 S. 42nd St.
Meets second Wednesday every month at 3 P. M.

Chancel Society

President, Mrs. Edward H. Williamson, Jr.
Secretary, Miss Elizabeth S. Ellicott
Treasurer, Miss Helen Williams

Meets first Thursday of each month

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Vice-President, Mrs. Wm. H. Boyd
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. P. Bement
Treasurer, Mrs. L. P. Muller
Treasurer, United Offering, Miss Fulton
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Vice-Director, Francis M. Hutchinson
Secretary and Treasurer, Walter A. Hartman.
Meets second Friday in month

Layman's Forward Movement

Charles C. Kinney, President
Walter Hartman, Treasurer

King's Daughters

Leader, Mrs. Barton Lucas
Vice-Leader, Mrs. George Sayen
Treasurer, Miss Marion Turner
Secretary, Miss Marguerite Bement
Cor. Secretary, Miss Alice Christman
Meets third Thursday in the month.

Boys Club of St. Philips Sunday School

Director, George Sayen
Vice-Director, Wm. T. Metz
Secretary, Walter Rogers, Jr.
Treasurer, John S. Wilson, Jr.
Meets third Thursday in each month

Girls' Friendly Society

In charge of Miss Fulton
Friday, 7.30 p. m., [Young Ladies]
Saturday, 10 a. m., [Children]

Junior Auxiliary

Leader, Miss Elizabeth M. Hunter
Sec'y. and Treas., Miss Marguerite Bement

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOF APRIL

3—Thursday. The Holy Communion,
9.30 A. M.
6—Friday. Confirmation Class, 5 P. M.
6—Second Sunday after Easter.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 4.00, 8.00 P. M.
7—Monday. Confirmation Instruction
at Rector's residence, 4220 Pine
St., 8.00 P. M.
9—Wednesday. Evening Prayer and
Bible Class, 8.00 P. M.
10—Thursday. The Holy Communion,
9.30 A. M.
Confirmation Instruction, 8.00 P. M.
11—Friday. Confirmation Instruction at
Church, 5.00 P. M.
13—Third Sunday after Easter.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.
Confirmation at 11.00 A. M.
16—Wednesday. Evening Prayer and
Bible Class, 8.00 P. M.
17—Thursday. The Holy Communion,
9.30 A. M.
20—Fourth Sunday after Easter.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.
23—Wednesday. Evening Prayer and
Bible Class, 8.00 P. M.
24—Thursday. The Holy Communion,
9.30 A. M.
25—Friday. St. Mark, Evangelist.
9.30 A. M.
Corporate Communion, Woman's
Auxiliary.

27—Rogation Sunday.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.
30—Wednesday. Evening Prayer and
Bible Class, 8.00 P. M.

EVENING PRAYER AND BIBLE CLASS

The attention of our congregation is called to the change of Evening Prayer and Bible Class from Tuesday to Wednesday evenings. We begin on April 9, and resume our meetings. The Book of the Acts of the Apostles is our text-book.

All men and women are earnestly and cordially invited to attend Evening Prayer, and join in the Bible Class. This means you, my friends, who have not yet come.

Begin again; you will find that it pays to study the Holy Scriptures.

PARISH REGISTER

Married

Mar. 27—William Henry Taylor and
Roberta Elizabeth Longnecker

Baptized

On Easter Even:

Adelaide Elsie Delmore De Wees.
Marian Thelma De Wees,
John Edward Simpson,
David Clayton McCrea,
Mary Eleanor Peddrick,
Alice Pearson Peddrick.

Dropped from the List

Four persons, having ceased, in the Rector's judgment, to be members of this Church.

Removed to Other Parishes

March 26:—

Robert McCurdy, Church of the Saviour.

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Davis,
Miss Katharine Louise Davis,
Mrs. Mary F. Rumvelow, St. George's.
Rollin C. Bortle, St. Asaph, Bala.
Anna Campion McConaughley,
Elizabeth Morris Leete.

Received from Other Parishes

Feb. 22—Miss Fraley, from Chapel of the Mediator.

Mar. 31—(Mrs.) Edith Addis Shoemaker, St. Gabriel's Douglasville.

Present number of communicants, 574.

CONFIRMATION

Will be administered by Bishop Garland, at St. Phillip's, on Sunday, April 13, at eleven o'clock.

EASTER DAY

Dawned bright and clear, with a Church well filled at the four different services. At eight o'clock it was estimated that between 350 and 400 received the Holy Communion. At eleven o'clock, after the second lesson, the Rector proceeded to the Altar Rail, and with a Service approved by the Bishop of the Diocese, blessed the Altar Rail, Credence Linen and Credence Table, which had recently been presented to the Church. The offering at the morning services was over \$800. In the afternoon, the Sunday School sang their carols, and presented a Lenten offering of \$380.

The Rev. Dr. Guthrie, of Brooklyn, preached the sermon on the Spiritual Benefits resulting from the Resurrection. The Church was elaborately and beautifully decorated.

LENT AT ST. PHILLIP'S

Was badly kept this year. Barring the very good attendance on Good Friday, at the three hours' service, the services at other times were wretchedly attended. So few came that for another year the Rector has in contemplation plans which

many may regard as startling innovations. But something must be done. The Rector will be more than glad to receive suggestions. It is most disheartening to expect 200 or 300 at a service, and then see only 50 or 75! Many men were not at a single Lenten Service, although they came out on Sunday. Why? The Rector expects you who have been prominent by your absence to make reply.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Once again we call attention to the fact that we are obliged by law to keep a list of communicants. Every person who is a communicant has their membership in the particular Church where they are Confirmed. If they leave that Church to go elsewhere, they should be particular to obtain a "letter", which shows that they are in good standing, and present it to the Clergyman in charge of the new Church, where they attend. Each year the Rector adds to the list those who are in regular attendance and removes those who have been either lax in their obligations or who have taken their membership elsewhere. The list of those removed and added is from time to time published. I am at especial pains to make this list accurate. I try to make all our members remember that the standard this Church sets is not a yearly, quarterly or monthly Communion, but **weekly**.

This is the standard set by the Apostles. The old English Church, which is our mother, asked that communicants receive on the great Feast Days of the year—Christmas, Easter Day, Ascension Day and Whitsun Day. I am deeply thankful that many of you observe this law, but alas! many fail in their obligations. They also fail to remember that the Church needs their support. Some time ago, I asked that all who could give five dollars at Easter. Just fifty

five-dollar bills were received. We have now 575 registered at St. Philip's. If each one had given five dollars, my Warden would have reported \$2,875, instead of \$800.00!

What a joy that would have brought to all of us! Our debt would have been wiped out. Brethren, as a congregation, you fail to keep that part of your obligation. Our offering, although twice as large as last year, is smaller than any one of the Episcopal Churches about us! Do better! Pray and give! These three words obeyed will make a Church that is spontaneously alive! Remember what I say, and let everyone go to work!

THE DUPLEX ENVELOPE SYSTEM

Philadelphia, April 1st, 1913.
To the Parishioners of St. Philip's Church:

About one year ago, at the request of the Woman's Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, King's Daughters, Layman's Forward Movement and the Sunday-school, the Vestry consented to the introduction of the "Duplex Envelope System," as a means of encouraging a systematic habit of giving both to the expenses of the Church and Missions.

After a year's trial we find the result most encouraging, the Accounting Warden reports the collections for the past twelve months the largest in the history of the Church, exceeding any previous year by a very liberal percentage, and all this has been accomplished by the distribution of 124 packages of envelopes among a total of 586 communicants. It is confidently expected that this number will be greatly increased when the new sets are sent out.

All envelopes will be numbered and dated consecutively—each is divided into two pockets, one for "Current Expenses" and the other for "Missions," or other special objects.

The envelope takes the place of your

usual contribution, and it is to be deposited on the plates. Should you be absent one, two or half a dozen Sundays, all the envelopes, which have accumulated in that time, can be deposited on the next Sunday that you are able to attend services.

It is so arranged that **no one can possibly know what another gives**.

Many do not realize that while they are absent, **the expenses of the Church run on**; therefore, it is earnestly hoped that a thoughtful consideration of the matter of Christian giving, on the part of all our members, will result in a regular and definite offering for maintenance from those who have not perviously been giving a fixed amount each week for church support.

John M. Walton,
C. E. Jones,
E. B. McCarthy,
Finance Committee.

PRESENTATION OF THE LENTEN OFFERING

The Annual Meeting of the Sunday-School Auxiliary to the Board of Missions in the Diocese of Pennsylvania will be held on Saturday afternoon, April 19, at three o'clock, in St. Philip's Church, Forty-second Street and Baltimore Avenue, West Philadelphia, Rev. C. W. Bisham, Rector. Mr. George W. Jacobs, the Treasurer, will be present to receive the offerings. The Bishop of the Diocese will preside.

Rectors, superintendents and teachers are requested to have their Lenten and Easter offerings ready for presentation at this meeting; such offerings to include all contributions for missionary work obtained through the mite-chests or other sources during Lent, together with any special Easter offerings.

Herman L. Duhring,
Corresponding Secretary.

A BENEDICTION SERVICE

For Credence Table, Credence Linen
and Altar Rail

(Approved by the Bishop of the Diocese
for use in St. Philip's Church)

Easter Day, 1913

At the end of the Second Lesson, the Rector taking his place just outside the Sanctuary shall say the following Prayers:

Blessed be Thy Name, O Lord, that it hath pleased Thee to put into the hearts of Thy servants to set apart this Credence Table, Credence Linen and Altar Rail to Thy praise and honor. Let Thy blessings be upon them and their substance; accept their pious and charitable work; and grant that all who may hereafter reap the benefits of a rightful using of these gifts, may show forth their thankfulness in bearing richer fruits of the Holy Spirit, to the glory of Thy Holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Here the Choir (kneeling) shall sing the first verse of Hymn 304, and then the Rector shall say this Prayer:

Almighty God, who sentest Thy angel to feed Thy Prophet Elijah with the cake and cruse to strengthen him for the journey through the wilderness, vouchsafe to bless this Rail which tens of thousands may stretch their hands to receive spiritual meat and drink that they may go in the strength of this food through the wilderness of this world until they reach the Mount of God, the Church Triumphant; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Here the Choir sing the second verse of Hymn 304 and the Priest, going to the Credence Table, shall bless the linen in these words:

O Most Merciful God whose power is unspeakable and whose Blessed Sacrament is endowed with wondrous might: grant, we beseech Thee, that this Linen

Cloth may be hallowed by Thy gracious blessing and may be fitted for the safe keeping of "Thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine," through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, who to hallow to Thy self Israel, didst show to Thy servant Moses, a pattern of the tabernacle on Mt. Sinai: mercifully bedew with the grace of Thy unction and Heavenly Spirit this credence, set apart for the conserving of the saving mysteries of redemption: and grant that the elements set upon this Thy Holy Table indeed prove efficacious in the saving of souls! Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Here shall the Choir sing the second verse of Hymn 219. Then shall the Prayers be said for the souls of those to whom these gifts have been given "in Memoriam."

Almighty and Ever-living God, we yield unto Thee most high praise and heart ythanks for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all Thy saints who have been vessels of Thy grace and who now rest in Paradise. Give us strength so to follow their examples, that at the Day of the General Resurrection we may hear His most joyful voice, saying: "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Grant this for Jesus Christ's sake, our Lord. Amen.

Then shall be sung verse 1 of Hymn 176, followed by this Prayer:

Unto Thy gracious care and keeping, O Lord, we commend the souls of Thy servants, departed this life in Thy faith. Pardon in them whatsoever Thou hast seen amiss, wash them in the blood of that immaculate Lamb, slain to take away all sin and make them to be numbered with Thy saints in glory everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After which the Choir shall continue the service by singing Jubilate Deo.

THE CHANCEL SOCIETY

As it has not been found possible to organize an embroidery class, it has been decided to have the white hangings made to order.

Any contributions towards this purpose will be most gladly received, and may be sent to Miss Williams, Treasurer, 3940 Spruce Street.

H. K. Williamson, President.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

On Friday, March 28, our girls were entertained by the St. Mary's G. F. S., which is a new branch. An evening of games and music was delightfully spent, the choir boys being invited to join us at refreshment time. Having finished our fun by "Going to Jerusalem," we separated in a very "Friendly" spirit.

Our Annual Service will be held at Holy Trinity on April 24.

THE VOLUNTEER CHOIR

Thirty-five members of the Sunday School joined the choir this year, singing three afternoons a week, during Lent, at the five o'clock service, also taking part in the "Service of the Passion" on Good Friday. At the Sunday School service on the afternoon of Easter day, The Rector commended the faithful members, presenting Mary Wagner with a gold cross for having the most perfect record in these four points: Attendance, conduct, singing, and the care of vestments.

The following were also remembered for their devotion to the Choir: Mary Warburton, Ella Davis, Kathryn Ellis, Eleanor Ellis, Lilla Work, Hortensia Lucas, Frances Hamell Emily Loman, and Phoebe Harris, who is the only original member of the choir of four years ago.

At the eight o'clock service on Easter morning, the choir also sang and rendered a very beautiful service. About

twenty-five members were present. The service sung was as follows:

Processional—Hymn 112.

Responses to the Commandments

Glory be to the Lord

Easter Carol—"O Joyous Easter Morning"

Offertory—"Holy Offerings"

Communion Hymn—21

Recessional—Hymn 110

GIRLS' FRIENDLY UNITED
OFFERING

The United Offering is a Thank Offering. It is placed on the Altar at the Triennial Service of Thanksgiving, at the time when the Woman's Auxiliary has its Triennial Meeting, which is at the time and place where the Church holds its General Convention. It is the Thank-Offering of all our women, the expression of our gratitude for the Christian privileges which we enjoy; and while it expresses our thankfulness, it also kindles our thankfulness. Who that has been present at one of these services, and joined in the hymn of praise which goes up with the presentation of the offering, but has thrilled with the joy of giving thanks?

Many of us use the little blue boxes, accumulating small sums slowly; some of us prefer to make a semi-annual offering. Some who give do no other work for the Church's missions, and some are the most generous and diligent in every branch of the Church's work, and yet feel that they can afford to give, if only a small sum, so that they may share in this Thank-Offering.

The United Offering is collected each spring and fall, and sent to the United Offering treasurer.

EASTER FLOWERS

Easter day dawned bright and clear, and the sunshine streaming into St.

Philip's, fell upon a very beautiful sight indeed. Never has our Church looked as lovely, and it was worthy of those it was meant to commemorate. On the altar, with its pure white hangings, rise tall, beautiful calla lilies. On the new Credence Table, consecrated that day, were placed orchids "in memoriam." High above the Chancel, beneath the window, were banked Easter lilies and other plants, from which fell a tracery of vines with fine effect. Pulpit and Lectern held vases in which were calla lilies and ferns. These were also placed in great abundance in the Font, with palms and white blossoming plants surrounding it. The Chancel was banked with palms—the front being a picture of green and white. Every window held masses of beautiful lilies and palms, and these were a feature which many commented on as being the most attractive of all the decorations. At any rate, it was very lovely, and our people seemed fully to appreciate the fact that the Church was a "House Beautiful" for the risen King, and a fitting tribute to those dear saints gone from among us to join the Church triumphant. And, best of all, many had a share in this work of love, for responses to the appeal for funds to carry out the idea of a memorial service came in thick and fast, making it possible to have the result we all so greatly approved and enjoyed. From the early celebrations through the wonderful service at eleven o'clock, and the closing of the day, when the children, amid the lilies and flowers, sang so sweetly their carols, until the final benediction and blessing fell upon it all, it was a glorious Easter Day long to be remembered by the congregation, of St. Philip's Church.

Clara Amy Willits.

A MUSICAL BY THE CHOIR

It has been arranged, as a result of the Choir Supper, held on March 28, to

give a Musicales in the Parish House, on the evening of Friday, April 25.

The program as rendered at that time was so much enjoyed, that a request was made to repeat it for the congregation.

Tickets can be procured from any member of the Choir or the Patronesses.

The proceeds will be devoted to the Choir Fund.

THE CHOIR SUPPER

A most delightful evening was spent at the Parish House on the evening of Friday, March 28, being the occasion of the annual supper of St. Philip's choir.

Preceding the supper, a musicale was held, which was delightfully rendered and so much enjoyed that most of it will be repeated at a musicale, the announcement of which appears in another column.

The guests of the choir on that evening were Rev. and Mrs. Clarence W. Bispham and Mr. and Mrs. Percy A. Legge.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Easter, coming in March this year, made the month a very busy one for the Sunday School. All the scholars were interested very much in the Mite Box offerings, which were duly announced at the Sunday School service on Easter afternoon.

This year it was decided to hold the service in the Church at four o'clock, instead of three, as in former years, as the morning one, being unusually long, made it difficult for the teachers and scholars to be there in time for the one at three o'clock.

The change was indeed a success, as at the four o'clock service nearly two hundred members of the congregation and friends of the scholars were in the Church as the scholars marched in.

The Lenten Volunteer Choir preceded the School, and occupied the regular choir stalls.

The service was a beautiful one, and the presence of the large number from the congregation was an inspiration to the School, and the carols were sung better than ever before.

The address was made by the Rector, after which he presented rewards to the "Volunteer Choir," for faithful service and attendance during Lent.

The Lenten Mite box offering was then taken up, and announced by the Superintendent; the total to date \$367.00.

The highest offering in each department was as follows:

Senior, Christine Burtnett.
Junior, Helen Schermerhorn. and
Primary, Hortensia B. Lucas. C.
Kindergarten, Gordon Bullock.

Last month, the Superintendent published the names of the scholars with perfect attendance at that time; an error in keeping the roll, the following names should have been to the list:

Alice Wilson, Senior Dept.
Elizabeth Bosbyshell, Senior
Louise Boyd, Junior Dept.

Since the publication of the general names have been crossed at Street missed the perfect attendance date, nearly thirty scholars field to the "Honor Roll."

The banner classes in the departments for the month of as follows:

Senior Boys. Mrs. James B. S. percentage, 90.
Girls. Miss Margaret S. class; percentage, 80.

Junior

Miss Frances Burtnett's class; percentage, 76.

Primary

Miss Isabelle Coho's class; percentage 81.

Attendance during March

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We can, however, look back with great pleasure at the season just closed, and wish the League every success for another year, and that St. Philip's will again be represented by both teams.

The standing at the close of the season was as follows:

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THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Meeting was held on Monday, March 31, when interesting reports were made from the different missionary districts. After the meeting, the Lenten Missionary Box was packed, to be sent to St. Agnes Hospital, Raleigh, North Carolina. The following articles were sent: Eighteen hospital night-gowns, for men and women; 22 aprons for nurses; 18 shirts for children; 8 aprons for children; 26 flannel skirts for women; 3 pairs of knitted slippers; package of old material; package of material for patching at the Friday. Caroline Bement, Secretary.

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS

held, when the stated meeting held on Thursday evening, March 13, there were four members present. Lenten sewing—dresses for the Home for Homeless and Destitute Children, this city, was brought in, and one of the members promised to bring a package to the Home on the following day.

Circle has also completed eight books, which will be sent to various institutions.

made them members are showing much interest in procuring clothing for Emma, the little orphan girl in the offerings, with the Holy Child.

the Sunday committee reported visits paid to afternoon. for Incurables. Flowers, a

This year one of the florists, were service in the patients.

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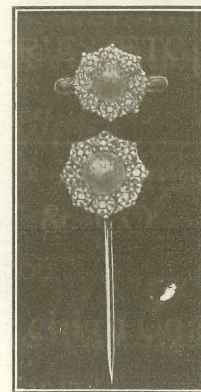
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The Holy Communion Sundays, 8.00 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Saint's Days 9.30 A. M.

NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.
Those who wish to become members of the parish are asked to send their names and addresses to the Rector. Applications for pews or settings should be made to the Accounting Warden, Mr. Louis P. Muller.
Parishioners are asked to send prompt notice of change of residence.
The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for baptisms, marriages, or funerals.

PAROCHIAL ORGANIZATION

The Clergy—REV. CLARENCE WYATT BISPHAM
4220 Pine Street

Lay Reader—CHARLES C. KINNEY

Parish Visitor—MISS FULTON
505 S. 45th Street

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Residence, 438 South Forty-fourth Street

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Corresponding Secretary, Miss Harper

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Meets second Wednesday every month at 3 P. M.

Chancel Society

President, Mrs. Edward H. Williamson, Jr.
Secretary, Miss Elizabeth S. Ellicott
Treasurer, Miss Helen Williams
Meets first Thursday of each month

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Treasurer, Mrs. L. P. Muller
Treasurer, United Offering, Miss Fulton
The stated meeting is the last Monday of the month,
at 3 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting

In charge of Miss Ashburner.
Meets every Tuesday evening, at 8 P. M.

Men's Association

President, Francis M. Hutchinson
Vice President, Eugene P. Coho
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In charge of Miss Fulton
Friday, 7.30 p. m., [Young Ladies]
Saturday, 10 a. m., [Children]

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CHURCH CALENDAR

October

- 5—20th Sunday after Trinity.
8.00 A. M., Holy Communion.
11.00 A. M., Holy Communion.
8.00 P. M., Evening Prayer.
- 12—21st Sunday after Trinity.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.
- 18—St. Luke Evangelist. 9.30 A. M.
- 19—22nd Sunday after Trinity.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.
- 23—Thursday. Holy Communion,
9.30 A. M.
- 26—23rd Sunday after Trinity.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.
- 28—SS. Simon and Jude.
Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.
- 30—Thursday. Holy Communion,
9.30 A. M.

PARISH RECORD

Communicants Received

- Aug. 4—Mr. and Mrs. George William Witte, from St. George's, Philadelphia.
- Sept 8—Robert Joseph Bennett, from St. John's, Detroit, Mich.

Communicants Transferred

- June 24—Mrs. Margaret L. Roberts, to Christ Church, Ridley Park.
- Aug. 4—Mrs. James Henry Loomis, to Pottstown, Pa.

- Sept. 16—Miss Marian Turner, to St. Luke's, Montclair, N. J.
- Present number of communicants, 588.

Married

- June 16—Robert Braun and Frances Zerbey.
- Aug. 12—Harry James Miller and Gaynor Morell Fraley.
- Sept. 30—Thomas Seldom Macon and Elise Bland Hinton.

Died

- May 3—John G. Hood.
- 18—Mrs. Carrie A. Mueller.
- 26—Charles Louis Leisen.
- June 27—Samuel Artman.
- July 18—Mrs. Joseph Conover.
- Sept. 22—George Dallas Morrell.
- "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

OUR GIFT OF THANKS

The United Offering is a Thank-offering. It is placed on the Altar at the Triennial service of Thanksgiving, at the time when the Woman's Auxiliary has its triennial meeting, which is at the time and place where the Church holds its General Convention being held this year in New York City. It is the thank-offering of all our women, the expression of our gratitude for the Christian privileges which we enjoy, and while it expresses our thankfulness, it also kindles our thankfulness. Who gives the United Offering? It is given by the women and girls of the American Church and its Missions, not Auxiliary members only, but all women. It excuses no one from any other obligation, and it entails no other obligation, except that to our united gifts there shall be added our

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united and earnest prayers, that God will put it into the hearts of many faithful women to give themselves to the work of the Master in the mission field.

The first meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held on Monday, September 29, with a good attendance, which promised well for the winter. Interesting reports were given by the delegates to the various committees: Foreign, by Mrs. Coho; Indian, Miss Bement; Diocesan, Mrs. Vandervorde. It was decided to send a box to a missionary and family living in Emmetsburg, Iowa.

The report of the "United Offering" showed that \$39.31 had been collected since April last; the sum to be presented at the General Convention being \$198.41.

"THE STRANGER THAT IS WITH- IN THY GATES"

Who is he? Does he come from curiosity or from interest? What does he think of our Church? How is he welcomed? Will he ever come again?

Each Sunday, the stranger comes within our midst. Who is he, we know not. He is ushered into one of our pews. He may know our service, and again, he may have never before that day been in an Episcopal Church. What can the Rector do to make him welcome? Practically nothing, while the service is going on; for the Rector needs to concentrate all his energy upon the earnest delivering of that service to those whom he knows. To allow his thoughts to stray in singling out one or two of the fifty strangers that come to us would be the undoing of that worship, which God exacts.

And so this work of welcoming the stranger must be done by ushers, or the member who sits next to the stranger. He ought to make himself known, and

give the stranger convincing proof that we are glad to see him, and want to see him again.

You all know that Episcopal Churches have the name of being cold, and strangers have told me that they have come for months to this Church, and never had a person speak to them.

But, on the other hand, it is not always the fault of the members. Instances I know of where the stranger has been welcomed, and has responded with a look that says, "Please don't speak to me!" And then the opportunities for speech during or before and after service are not like ordinary places.

Many deprecate the idea of groups gathered in the Church after service, and say that the street, and not the Church, is best for social intercourse. So, if the stranger has a hard time, the member also has a hard time. And yet, when the man or woman enters this door, we must not be thought blocks of ice.

Each person is a living soul, that we need to have interested in our Church. The percentage of change is very great. New members must be had to fill the empty seats of those who used to be useful members, but are now gone. And to those who come here, but have not identified themselves with us, we would say, Now is the time to do so. Begin to come regularly. Ask for the Rector, and he will be glad to take your name and address, and call upon you. Send your children to the Sunday School. Ask the Warden to let you see some pew that he has for rent, and then "Come thou and all thy house."

This month, beginning on October 5, on Mondays and Tuesday nights, a committee from the Vestry is at the Church at 8.00 P. M., to rent pews and sittings.

If you have come to the Church a few time, we are bold enough to say that you will want to come again. Here is

where the comfortable Gospel of Christ is truly preached, and also truly received.

Think upon these things, and come and take up your abode with us! You will not regret your decision.

TEACHERS, PAST AND PRESENT

The beginning of a new Sunday School year sees changes not only among the scholars, but the teachers. In the Kindergarten, Mrs. Barton Lucas, who held this department for three years, has resigned, and is living in Gibbsboro, New Jersey. A most attractive personality, she won the love of the children, and her absence will be greatly regretted.

The Misses Bement, who now have charge of the department, are not new to the Sunday School. They have taught in the Junior and Primary Departments, as well as among the smallest children, and are thoroughly qualified to direct this very important branch. We extend them a hearty welcome, and are certain that their efforts will be crowned with success.

Miss Hunter again takes charge of the Primary, which has been taught for a number of years. To those who know her, it is superfluous to speak of her excellent work. To those who do not know her, we would say that those parents whose children are in her department, can be congratulated that they have the advantage of a Christian woman to educate their children in the rudiments of the Christian religion. Assisting Miss Hunter are Miss Caldwell, Miss Bones, Miss Millspaugh, who taught last year in the Senior Department; Miss Isabel Coho, and the Misses Bispham. Miss M. Burtnett has resigned, on account of ill health, as also her sister, Miss Burtnett, who finds the work of the Sunday School too arduous, when compared with week-days. We shall miss them both,

and hope that another year may see them back again in their places.

In the Junior Department, Miss Margaret Loman takes the place of her mother, Mrs. John Loman. Mrs. Loman is well known as a teacher, not only throughout the Diocese of Pennsylvania, but also in the Sunday Schools throughout the East. We shall greatly miss her splendid executive work, and are glad that her daughter will have the advantage of her experience, to help her in the management of this difficult department. Miss Katharine Lomas, Miss Richards and Mrs. Buckley are assisting Miss Loman. We need a man teacher for a class of boys. Who will volunteer?

In the Senior Department, we lose Mrs. Sayen and Mrs. Simes. Mrs. Sayen has conducted a class of older girls, and has from time to time sent them down as teachers in the lower grades. Always interested greatly in the Sunday School, she is a thorough and painstaking teacher, whose place it will be almost impossible to fill. We hope that her health may speedily be restored, and that she may take her place once more.

Mrs. Simes has had a large class of boys, and has seen them grow into young manhood during the years she has been with us. She has won their affection and respect, and it will be hard for the pupils to lose her. We thank her for the work she done among them. Mr. Harris, who takes her place, is well known in the Parish, and we believe will prove a competent and careful teacher.

We welcome Miss Irene Neumann, who returns to her class after a year of absence, by reason of ill health. Miss Christman retains her class, and will doubtless have a large number of young women who are anxious to receive her instruction. Miss Fulton, the Parish Visitor, will also continue her work with the Sunday School. Mr. Coho has kindly

consented to take a class of boys. They are to be congratulated upon their teacher.

The Rector has secured Mr. Bennett, dean of the Department of Education in the Y. M. C. A., to teach the Young Men's Bible Class, which meets at 2.30 P. M., and has its opening exercises with the Senior and Junior Departments. Mr. Bennett is an experienced teacher, and the Rector and Superintendent feel that every young man in the Parish ought to take advantage of this fact, and become a member of his class.

All in all, the Sunday School starts with the confidence that it is well prepared to care for those who enroll themselves with us.

The Superintendent is to be commended for his excellent work in the past, and his earnest desire to keep up the high standard of work and discipline.

DAY OF INTERCESSION

October 17 is the day set apart for special prayer for Sunday Schools. The offering will be given to the Sunday School. Let us come prepared to give liberally.

THE PARISH PAPER

The attention of the congregation is called to the condition of the finances of "The Record".

All bills are paid up to date; but the issues of October and November must be met from this year's receipts; and not encroach on those who will donate towards the coming year.

For several years "The Record" has been self-supporting; but during the present issues, the donations have fallen off considerably in comparison to former years.

So far in 1913, only about \$40.00 has been donated by the congregation, in comparison to \$60.00 last year. This in itself represents one issue; and one of

our advertisements has withdrawn, which made up the other issue.

The October issue is being brought ought with the hope that many who have failed to donate for 1913 will send in their quota of 25 cents apiece.

Unless the deficit of \$40.00 is arranged for in some way, it is feared that the publication will have to be omitted for the remaining month.

All donations sent to the Rector or Business Manager.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School opened for the Fall on the afternoon of Sunday, September 21, at 2.30 P. M.

There were present 130, scholars and teachers, which number was larger than at any previous opening for the past four years.

A new departure was instituted this Fall; the Senior and Junior Departments holding their opening services in the upper rooms, while the Primary and Kindergarten occupied the first floor.

The change seems to be for the best, and was welcomed by all.

The Rector conducted the opening services in the Senior Department, welcoming back the teachers and scholars after their summer vacations; after which the teachers arranged their classes for the coming year, and a short closing service then held.

Several changes have occurred in the School since the closing in June. In the Senior Department, Mrs. George Sayen and Mrs. James B. Simes have found it necessary to tender their resignations; both of which are deeply regretted.

Mr. William T. Metz, who had charge of the Young Men's Bible Class, also resigned, to take up other duties.

To take the places made vacant, several of the Brotherhood men volunteered their services, which were gratefully accepted. Mr. Lee S. Harris and Mr.

Eugene P. Coho assumed duties in the Senior Department.

Mr. R. J. Bennett, a member of the congregation, has accepted the leadership of the Young Men's Bible Class, and started his work on the opening Sunday.

Mrs. Barton Lucas, head of the Kindergarten Department, tendered her resignation, owing to removal from the city, and the School regrets very much, at having to lose her very valuable services. We wish her every success in her new duties, which she has taken up at St. John's Church, Gibbsboro, N. J.

On the following Sunday, September 28, there were present 155, an increase of 35 scholars over the opening day. Each Sunday should find a corresponding increase, until the School again reaches its normal number.

ALTAR FLOWERS

To the members of our congregation who have sent us flowers for our Altar during the summer months, from their own gardens, we want to extend a hearty vote of thanks. This thoughtful kindness has made it possible to have blooms where it was greatly needed, and we assure them the attention is highly appreciated. We are now in need of immediate funds to purchase flowers, and earnestly ask all to aid in making beautiful our Church, as well as putting memorials in that sacred place, to those dear ones gone from among us. Two dollars a Sunday will place flowers in our Altar vases, and all contributions should be sent to Miss Clara A. Willits, 4405 Spruce Street. Kindly see that there are no vacant Sundays and empty vases.

Christianity is full of hope. It looks for the ever richer coming of the Son of Man. Therefore it has been the religion of energy and progress everywhere.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Advent

1st Sunday—Mr. Percy Legge.
2nd Sunday—Miss Fannie Franklin.
3rd Sunday—Mrs. Percy Legge.
4th Sunday—Miss Sachse.
Thanksgiving Day—
Christmas Day—Mr. and Mrs. Constant E. Jones.

1st Sunday after—Mrs. Albert Gumpert.
2nd Sunday after—Mr. Morrell.

Epiphany—

1st Sunday after—Mrs. M. B. Dewees.
2nd Sunday after—
3rd Sunday after—
4th Sunday after—Mrs. G. W. Caldwell.
5th Sunday after—
6th Sunday after—

Septuagesima—

Sexagesima—Mrs. John Stokes Adams.

Quinquagesima—

Palm Sunday—The Rector.

Easter Sunday—Miss Clara A. Willits.

1st Sunday after—Mrs. Vanderworde.

2nd Sunday—Mrs. Lukens.

3rd Sunday—Mrs. S. H. Ferree.

4th Sunday—

5th Sunday—

Ascension Day—

1st Sunday after—

Whitsunday—Miss Anne L. Evans.

Trinity Sunday—Miss Delaney.

1st Sunday—Miss Anna M. Fox.

2nd Sunday—Miss Swartz.

3rd Sunday—

4th Sunday—

5th Sunday—

6th Sunday

7th Sunday—

8th Sunday—

9th Sunday—

10th Sunday—

11th Sunday—

12th Sunday—Mrs. E. A. Vanderworde.

13th Sunday—

14th Sunday—

15th Sunday—

16th Sunday—

17th Sunday—Mrs. Elizabeth Beldin.

18th Sunday—

19th Sunday—

20th Sunday—

21st Sunday—Mrs. W. B. Davis.

22nd Sunday—Miss M. E. Bussom.

23rd Sunday—

24th Sunday—

All Saints' Day—Miss Clara A. Willits.

Sunday next before Advent—Mrs.

William L. Weatherley.

Contributors to fund, not having special Sundays

Mr. L. P. Muller,
Mrs. Bement,
Miss Helen Richards,
Mrs. Green.

GEORGE DALLAS MORRELL

George Dallas Morrell, one of the oldest parishioners of St. Philip's Church, entered into rest on the morning of September 22, 1913.

Mr. Morrell was a communicant member of the Church, and during his life was actively connected with the work of the Parish.

For several years he was librarian of the choir, and deeply interested in its success; a member of the Men's Association, and a constant contributor to its support.

For many years he taught a class of young men in the Sunday School; and was always on duty to lend a helping hand at all or any of the entertainments that were given, not only by the Sunday School, but by the different Societies in the Church.

He was most regular in his attendance at church, both morning and evening services, and until his health began to fail in the early Summer, was rarely absent.

TO ALL THE WOMEN AND GIRLS OF ST. PHILIP'S PARISH

Did you ever happen to pick up, from someone's library table, a little magazine, called "The Spirit of Missions"? If you opened it, expecting to find some dry, uninteresting reading matter, you were surprised; for, instead, you discovered a wide-awake little book, profusely illustrated, and full of entertaining articles and bright stories. There was a glimpse into Mexico, the story of the Eskimo tribes, and Bishop Rowe's work among them in the frozen North; an account of quaint Japanese manners and customs—and so on, all over the world, wherever the Church is trying to spread the Kingdom, men and women are sending in to the Board of Missions, the cheering news of their aims, hopes and successes in the mission field.

Here is one of the true missionary stories: An old Indian chief had heard for the first time of Christ and His Gospel, and he wanted to make Him an offering. Quietly he came to the missionary and brought his wampum. But he was told that that was not enough to give to Christ. The Indian brought his tent, but still received the same reply. Last of all, he offered to give up his horse, and then his wife. "No," said the missionary; "Christ does not want any of these things." In despair, the poor Indian exclaimed: "What shall I do, then? I have nothing left but myself." "Give that to Him," answered the missionary, "for that is just what Christ asks for!"

Well, if Christianity means that much to the heathen, it is worth while trying to carry it to them, isn't it? But, if I can't go myself, and I haven't much money to give to missions, what can I do?

There are two things every woman can do—one is to read the "Spirit of Missions," and the other is, to come

regularly, on the last Monday of every month, at three o'clock, to the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary—in the Parish House. You have so often heard the Rector announce this meeting, and extend "a cordial invitation to all the women of the Parish"—that, perhaps, it has failed to make an impression upon you.

Consider—isn't it a burning shame that only a comparatively few out of a Church of our size, take active part and interest in missionary work? What is the matter with the women of St. Philip's? Where is the eager missionary spirit that we all ought to have? This is a magnificent work—not for ten, or ten, or thirty, but for all—each and every one of us, who is a baptized member of the Church.

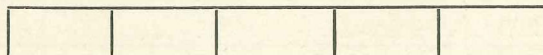
Let us be frank about it. Some of you say, "We haven't the time." That is a pretty poor excuse, isn't it? that we cannot take an hour and a half once a month, to hear about the **most important** work in the world? Remember, that when you let other things fill your time, to the total exclusion of missions, you are shoving to one side, and refusing to listen to, "Christ's binding command, to preach the gospel to every creature" in "all the world." We can and must find time to do His work.

Others say, "I am not interested in this kind of work." Of course, you are not; you haven't given yourself a chance to learn about it. Come and see the enthusiasm of the members; come and hear at first hand the inspiring accounts of the persons who come and speak to us of their work—and we will guarantee that you will awaken to interest and a desire to help. You simply can't help it!

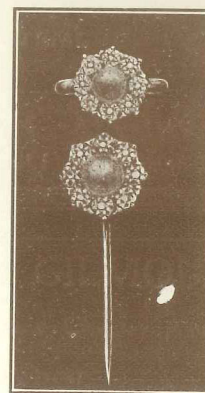
Still others say, "Missionary meetings are all so stupid and 'old foggy'." Well, St. Philip's, we venture to assert, are not at all so. We are wide-awake and up to the times, and are planning, besides the regular reports from the foreign, domestic, Indian, Colored and Diocesan work, to have a wide-awake speaker address every meeting. It will be worth your while to come, and if, after coming for several times, you should still think it stupid—why, that will be our fault, and an opportunity for you to pitch in and help make things interesting. Don't stand outside—come in, and work with us.

"The Woman's Auxiliary" is a helping society, which backs up and aids the Board of Missions. Its triple aim is prayer, gifts and study. It has neither constitution nor fixed dues; but is a society of those who volunteer to pray for missions, to study about them, and to give what they can for the cause of missions. Its special and appropriate aim is to support our **substitutes**—the nurses, Bible teachers and deaconesses, in the mission stations—in other words, the women who, because we ourselves cannot go, take our places at the front.

However, it is not so much money which we need, but your presence, interest, prayer and co-operation. Won't you all start now, and become members of the Woman's Auxiliary? And won't you all start now to pray for the "Spirit of Missions"? Believe us, we who have tried it—that an earnest and helpful interest in missions will elevate and ennoble your every-day life—will make you yourself a better Christian—as you gain more and more of the vision of winning the entire world for the Master!



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The Holy Communion Sundays, 8.00 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Saint's Days 9.30 A. M.

NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.

Those who wish to become members of the parish are asked to send their names and addresses to the Rector. Applications for pews or settings should be made to the Accounting Warden, Mr. Louis P. Muller.

Parishioners are asked to send prompt notice of change of residence.

The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for baptisms, marriages, or funerals.

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HOLY NIGHT

(Christmas Carol)

Holy night, peaceful night!
All is dark, save the light
Yonder where they sweet vigil keep
Over the babe who in silent sleep,
Rests in heavenly peace,
Rests in heavenly sleep.

Holy night, peaceful night!
Only for shepherds' sight,
Came blest visions of an angel throngs,
With their loud Hallelujah songs,
Saying Jesus is come,
Saying Jesus is come.

Holy night, peaceful night!
Child of Heaven, O! how bright
Thou didst smile on us when Thou wast
born,
Blest indeed was that happy morn,
Full of heavenly joy,
Full of heavenly joy.

CALENDAR

December

3—Wednesday. Evening Prayer and
Bible Class, 8.00 P. M.
4—Thursday. Holy Communion,
9.30 A. M.
7—Second Sunday in Advent.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.

10—Wednesday. Evening Prayer and
Bible Class, 8.00 P. M.
11—Thursday. Holy Communion,
9.30 A. M.
14—Third Sunday in Advent.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.
17—Wednesday. Evening Prayer and
Bible Class, 8.00 P. M.
18—Thursday. Holy Communion,
9.30 A. M.
21—Fourth Sunday in Advent and
St. Thomas.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.
24—Wednesday. Evening Prayer and
Bible Class, 8.00 P. M.
25—Christmas Day.
7.00, 8.00, 11; Holy Communion.
26—St. Stephen. Holy Communion,
9.30 A. M.
27—St. John, Evangelist. Holy Com-
munion, 9.30 A. M.
28—Sunday after Christmas.
Holy Innocents.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.

RECORD FROM PARISH REGISTER

Baptized

Nov. 6—Worvel Barry Bullock.
12—William Heyward Hoopes.

Married

Nov. 19—William Bouck Cornell and
Emily Adelaide Lebengood.

Buried

Nov. 17—Walter J. Osborne.

Communicants Received

Nov. 23—(Mrs.) Bertha Shrearer, from
Church of the Advocate.

Communicants Transferred

Nov. 23—(Mrs.) Kathryn Keelar Cros-
man, to St. Mary's, Haddon Heights.
Present number of communicants, 590.

CORNISH CAROL

As the Holy Season of Christmas draws nigh, our thoughts turn to the religious purposes of that Festival.

We think of the great revival there has been in carol singing. Your Rector noticed a correspondent in the "Living Church" asking if anyone could tell where a copy of Dr. John Henry Hopkin's Cornish Carol could be obtained.

He cannot answer this question. He has never seen the carol printed, but he remembers a part of the carol, as one of the first things his dear mother taught him. It is so quaint and curious, that it is printed below, as follows:

First Voice:

Come and I will sing you!

Second Voice:

What will you sing me?

First Voice:

I will sing you one, oh!

Second Voice:

What is your one, oh?

Both Voices:

One of them is God above,
And He ever shall remain so.

The two voices begin again in the same phrase, question and answer, save the assertion that "I will sing you two, oh!"

Two of them are lily-white babes,
All clothed in green, oh.
Three of them are strangers.
Four are the gospel preachers;
Five, is the Ferry man in the boat.
Six, are the cheerful waters.
Seven, are the seven stars in the sky.
Eight is the Great Archangel.
Nine is—
Ten are the Ten Commandments.
Eleven is—
Twelve are the Twelve Apostles."

What Nine and Eleven stand for cannot be remembered at this writing.

Dr. Hopkins was a most learned priest of the Episcopal Church, and his studies in type-ology were profound.

Without doubt, this Cornish Carol has been adapted by him from some ancient Cornish service.

It is worth while to remember that when the north and middle of Britain were overrun by heathen English, the old British Church retreated into Cornwall, and practiced the religion of their Lord and Saviour.

THE CORPORATE COMMUNION

for the First Sunday in Advent was attended by 53 men, a slight gain over last year. There were also present 17 women.

There are upwards of 170 men and boys in the Church who are communicants. We thank God that 53 heeded the call, and came to give their worship. But where were the other 117?

Some were away for the Thanksgiving holiday; some were ill; some lived too far away, and some received this Blessed Summons to a Blessed Feast, and heeded it not.

My friend, were you present or absent?

THE SPIRIT OF LOYALTY

In a specially written prayer for the Men's Communion, I pleaded that there should be an increase of loyalty among the people of the Parish. By loyalty I meant the loyalty in co-operation. When the Sunday School appeals to you to be present, or come and help, let the other societies lend a helping hand. When the Woman's Auxiliary asks for help in packing their box, go and see the box, and give five or ten cents, if you cannot give any more. When the Ladies' Aid gives a tea or reception, do not say to yourselves, "I cannot be bothered, and I will send my regrets." Each one who does that helps to make a failure of the reception. Those who come, help make it a success.

The West Philadelphia Conference of the Girls' Friendly Society was held at St. Mary's Parish House, on November 24. Supper was served at 6.30, at which time about 150 girls were present. In the evening, the address was made by Mrs. John Loman, on "Social Service." It was most helpful and inspiring. Papers were read by the girls, and short talks given on the work done by the different societies. Our Branch has grown steadily. We now have sixty, counting both Friday evening and Saturday classes. We are busily working on Christmas gifts, to be sent to others less fortunate than we, thus trying to fulfill our motto, "Bear ye one another's burdens."

THE RECTOR'S CHRISTMAS LETTER

St. Philip's Church.

My dear People:—

I wish you the best kind of Christmas joy. I hope with all my heart that there will not be one of you who will omit to worship the New Born King on Christmas Day. Go back in your mind to the very first Christmas, when shepherds braved the time in wonder and awe; when they heard the Angels' message to mankind, and their ears were raptured with the heavenly strains of "Glory be to God on High, and on earth peace, good will to men." The best present we can give is our worship to God the Father for His Son! The best present we can receive is to partake at the Altar of the Divine Nature of Jesus Christ.

This is one of the three days in the Christian Year when the Church asks you in the Name of the Lord you bear for Jesus, to receive this, His inestimable benefit.

Do not secularize Christmas Day, but make it holy! Services at 7.00, 8.00 and 11.00 A. M. Your Rector,
Dec. 6, 1913. Clarence W. Bispham.

THE UNITED OFFERING OF 1916

This resolution was made at the recent Convention:

That the United Offering of 1916 be given to the Board of Missions, to be devoted entirely to the training, testing, sending and support of women for Mission work at home and abroad, and to the care of such as are sick or disabled. Also that to our united gifts shall be added our united and earnest prayers that God will put it into the hearts of many faithful women to give themselves to the work of the Master in the Mission field, or, if they cannot go themselves, to give of their substance gladly, as the Lord hath prospered them.

A United Offering Prayer

Almighty God, Lord of the harvest, we humbly beseech Thee to send forth more laborers into Thy harvest, and especially to put it into the hearts of many faithful women to give themselves to Thy work in the Mission field; or, if they cannot go themselves, to give of their substance gladly, as Thou hast prospered them. And so may the bounds of Thy blessed Kingdom be enlarged; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The regular meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held in the Parish House on November 24. Very interesting reports were made from the different mission fields. The needs are always great for special work, and we regretted that our treasury was not overflowing, so we could send a little to each from St. Philip's.

But we were compelled to confine our work this fall to the missionary box, and the articles were all on exhibition at the meeting. New outfits of clothing for the missionary, wife and the two little girls, besides sheets, blankets, towels, table-cloths, and other household articles.

Then, as the box is supposed to reach them by Christmas, they were all remembered with several mysterious packages, with the "Christmas tags," and am sure they will all be happy over the box from St. Philip's. If we "forget" the box was to be sent, it is not too late, and donations of money will be gratefully acknowledged.

Caroline Bement, Secretary.

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS

At the stated meeting of the St. Philip's Circle of the King's Daughters, held on Thursday evening, November 20, further plans for the winter's work were made.

For Thanksgiving, the Circle decided to send dinners to five families belonging to the parish. It was reported that individual members were sending dinners to six other families.

The Circle decided to supply clothing for a little girl at the House of the Holy Child. The following garments were donated and taken to the home by one of the members: A raincoat, sweater, shoes and stockings, under-waists and handkerchiefs.

It was also decided to continue contributing toward the support of one of the boys at the Western Home for Poor Children.

The Circle voted that the winter's sewing should be for Christ's Home for Homeless and Destitute Children.

The Visiting Committee reported visits paid to the House of the Holy Child and to the Home for Incurables.

The members of the Circle are still keeping up their interest in the Shut-in Society, the reports showing visits paid and letters written.

At this meeting, two letters of thanks were read, one for the Circle's contribution toward the salary of a Bible-reader in Japan, and the other from the Seamen's Mission, thanking the Circle for

the six woolen scarfs and nine pairs of pulse-warmers sent there.

The next meeting of the Circle will be held on December 18. It is hoped that there will be a full attendance.

Marguerite Bement, Rec. Sec.

AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT

648 N. 33rd Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.,
November 28, 1913.

Mr. George Sayen,
4100 Baltimore Avenue.

Dear Mr. Sayen:

Once again it gives me great pleasure and also the Board of Managers of the Door of Blessing to thank you and St. Philip's Sunday School, for their very generous offering on Thanksgiving Day. There were 164 packages. I assure you that they will be a great help during the year at the Home.

Wishing you all a very successful year in the Sunday School,

Very sincerely,
Gertrude T. Brown, Matron.

THE BOYS' CLUB

At a meeting of the Boys' Club, held on Monday evening, November 24, it was unanimously decided to give the Minstrel Show at the Pennsylvania Railroad Y. M. C. A. on the evening of January 1, 1914.

The invitation came from Mr. Kinney, to repeat the success of last April, and the boys hope to make as good a showing as at the first performances.

Rehearsal nights were set, and fourteen members expressed their willingness to take part.

The Club also had the pleasure of listening to a very able sermon from the Rev. Lewelyn N. Caley, of the Church of St. Jude and the Nativity, on the evening of Sunday, November 16, and despite a very disagreeable night, quite a large congregation was present.

WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED THEIR FLOCKS BY NIGHT

(Christmas Carol)

While shepherds watched their flocks
by night,

All seated on the ground,
The angel of the Lord came down,
And glory shone around.

"Fear not," said he, for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled minds,
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring,
To you and all mankind."

"To you in David's town, this day,
Is born of David's line
A Saviour, who is Christ the Lord,
And this shall be the sign:
"The heavenly babe you there shall find
To human view displayed,
All meanly wrapped in swaddling bands,
And in a manger laid."
Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith
Appeared a shining throng
Of angels praising God, who thus
Addressed their joyful song:
"All glory be to God on high,
And on earth be peace, good will,
Henceforth from heaven to men,
Begin and never cease."

"THE RECORD"

Beginning with this number, December, "The Record" starts another year of usefulness in the Parish. It was unfortunate that one number was delayed by lack of funds, but, thanks to a generous member of the congregation, the difficulty was bridged, and funds provided for its issue.

During 1912-1913, the donations did not reach the total of previous years, and the other sources were also below former standards.

The total receipts of the year were \$214.79, and the expenditures but \$202.32, leaving a small balance.

It is needless to speak of the usefulness of "The Record," and the good

work it carries on throughout the year. Many notices given from the Chancel are repeated through the columns of the paper, and carried to many who failed to hear the original.

Accounts of the different doings of the various societies are constantly brought before the congregation, and parish events and happenings are also to be found.

When it was first announced that the November issue would not be published, it was received with regret by many of the parishioners; but the fault was theirs only, in failing to give it financial support.

The article which appeared in the last number from a communicant, in regard to its support, was an excellent one, and brought forth quite a few donations.

During December, the annual notices for renewal of subscriptions will be sent out, and a generous response will put the paper on a firm financial basis.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are glad to state that November was a busy month in the Sunday School in more ways than one.

First of all, was our Thanksgiving donation to the Door of Blessing, which, like former years, was a very generous one. Word has been received from the Matron that 164 articles were received this year, an increase of over thirty over that of last year. Thanks to the Church decorations of fruit and vegetables, which were added to those of the School, the Home will be plentifully supplied for a long time. Cash donations amounting to \$8.68 were also forwarded.

Nearly all of the scholars who brought donations remained to attend the Thanksgiving service in the Church. The scholars marched into the Church behind the regular choir, and occupied seats in the two transepts. The service was a beautiful one, and the Rector in his ser-

mon spoke particularly to the members of the Sunday School, and they are to be congratulated at the large number who attended, which was almost one hundred, or actually, ninety-seven.

All the departments are now working splendidly, and a general increase in attendance noted for the month, despite the fact that two of the days were very disagreeable.

At the teachers' meeting held on November 16, it was unanimously decided to again send the Christmas stockings to the Southwark Neighborhood, and this year the School will send their messages of good cheer and Christmas spirit to the little tots at Front and Christian Streets, with best of good wishes. Last year, seventy stockings were filled and sent away, and this year the demand is not quite so heavy.

The banner classes in the Senior and Junior rooms for the month of November are as follows:

Senior Department

Girls: Miss Margaret Millsbaugh's class, composed of Gertrude Blackburne, Helen Boyd, Phoebe Harris, Violet Wark, Mary Wine, Gertrude Monk, Gladys B. McCowen, Mary B. Sloan, Anita Marburg, Elinor Robertson, Anna Lukens, Virginia Barclay, and Marie Lenox.

Boys: Mr. Lee S. Harris' Class, composed of William Anneley, Frank Rogers, John Muller, Clifford Lukens, Louis Bruner, Philip Tenbroeck, Albert Locke, William Barclay, and Harold McCrea. Percentage, 85.

Primary Department

The Primary Department has inaugurated an Honor Roll for the month, and for November is as follows:

Mary Purnell, Florence Purnell, Dorothy Johnson, Virginia Gibson, Phyllis Wood, Louise Rutherford, Fran-

ces Schermerhorn, Violet Tobin, Anne Louise Johnson, John Codman, Thomas Halloway, Joseph Gibson, Richard Zebley, Abner Dowdell, Lewis Collum.

The banner class is that of Miss Elizabeth Culin's, composed of Jane Hill, Florence Purnell, Dorothy Johnson, Rita B. Cozens, Thomas Halloway, Joseph Gibson, Richard Zebley, Clifford J. D. Reade. Percentage, 95.

Attendance for the month of November, in comparison with the previous year:

1913	1912
Nov. 2 190	Nov. 3 201
9 179	10 205
16 131*	17 201
23 192	24 189
30 190	Dec. 1 191

* Rainy.

THE BASKET BALL TEAMS

The United Church League opened the season on November 20, with a game against St. Philip's and the First United teams, both first and second. Victory in this instance went to the First United. Both games were won by a close score.

The first team was considerably handicapped by the absence of two of the men, one from injury and the other from a death in the family. Yet, despite this handicap, the team only lost by the score of 21 to 15.

The second team score was 11 to 10, and only won by the First United in the last three minutes of play.

Both St. Philip's teams show big improvement over last year, and the next game will undoubtedly be better played, as all the regulars will be back. The attendance at the opening game was not very good from St. Philip's standpoint, and at the next Sunday services of the School, the Rector spoke very highly of the work of the boys in their endeavor

to bring the school to the front, and urged upon the scholars the necessity of their hearty support.

On November 12, the first team journeyed to Gibbsboro, N. J., and played a practice game with the Lucas A. A., winning by the score of 30 to 24, after a hard but interesting game. It is hoped to arrange a return game with them at a later date.

The December schedule is as follows, in the United Church League:

Dec. 3, vs. Incarnation.

12 vs. Calvary.

18 vs. Asbury.

Both first and second teams scheduled on the above evenings. Games called at eight o'clock. Admission, 15 cents. Games at Phillips Brooks Gymnasium, 4224 Baltimore Avenue.

LAYMEN TO SPEAK AT SUNDAY EVENING SERVICES

Plans have been partly completed for the introduction of special Sunday evening discussions by laymen of Philadelphia, who are specially qualified to handle the topics selected. The innovation has the hearty support of the Rector, and the committee hopes that it will render to him some material assistance. The plan should prove an interesting feature in the evening services, and prove attractive alike to members of St. Philip's and to others living in the vicinity. Good singing, cheerful music, an inspiring service, and a special address on some appropriate religious, moral or social topic ought to be particularly attractive features. The Rector and committee hope that the plans will be heartily supported by our own people of St. Philip's. Extend an invitation to others whom you think would be interested and benefitted by attending the Sunday evening services.

Negotiations have not been completed at this time for all the speakers, but an-

nouncement will be made in the January number of "The Record." Edmund B. McCarthy, Director of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew of St. Philip's Church, who spoke on Sunday evening, November 30, was the first of the laymen to appear.

THE FACT

For the First Sunday in Advent.

Some time ago there appeared a book, entitled "When It Was Dark." No doubt, many readers of this column read it. It was a vivid portrayal of the world's dependence upon the fact of our Lord's coming as the Saviour of men, and of the truth of His resurrection from the dead. So, likewise, is the peace and security of the individual involved in his belief in the Incarnation. Not only is our civilization bound up in the precepts and teachings of Christ; but the home and each member of the home. Success or failure are in proportion to the accepting or the rejecting of Jesus.

Before passing from this statement, let us consider some things. Is there such a thing as an atheist in this world? Or are there any who really do not believe in the Sonship of Jesus? Some have said, "I do not believe in God," or, "I do not believe that Jesus is the Son of God"; but when we probe the question and seek a definite declaration of unbelief, are not the statements exaggerated? In all probability, every intellectual person in a Christian community does believe in God, however choice is made of a name by which to call Him; and they who deny the Sonship of Jesus believe that He is Son, however they modify or explain the nature of His Sonship.

Whoever knows even a little of human nature recognizes the difference between an intellectual and an actual creed. We fight in anger over those beliefs that are metaphysical. A zealous "believer" might wish to boil his fellow in oil over

a question that neither could possibly prove, while he would look merely with pity upon him who declares that the world is not round. There are all sorts of common occurrences which we accept as facts, and without argument; but how easily we may cross verbal swords in explanation of them! What conception does the average person form of the Trinity, or is there any mental image that approaches the quiet power of each Person upon our hearts and lives? And so the "unbeliever" is an intellectual agnostic. His daily living does not tally with his professions of unbelief; and he lives exactly as the man who says that he does believe.

Of course, by "unbeliever" we mean the man with intellectual difficulties. There is a type of man who, unwilling to live in decency and honor, says that he does not believe. He is a moral leper; and he does believe, and tremble. But the man who is truly agnostic, because he makes the mistake of seeking to know God through the avenue of the mind, that man believes in love and honor, in purity of life, and self-sacrifice, in all that Jesus sought to make our earthly lives become; and in his heart is erected an altar to "the unknown God." He does not know His Name, for he has searched for it with the wrong organ of sense, that is all. "Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? Simon Peter answered: Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God. Jesus answered: Flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, by my Father which is in heaven"; for the mind of man cannot reveal God, only the Incarnated Life of God can show forth God and declare His Name.

And that Incarnated Life is one of the most obvious things in the world to-day. Man never can live by bread alone; nor have any or all the conveniences and comforts of life with which science has

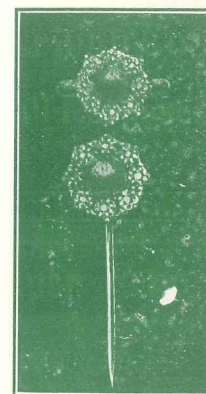
surrounded man, made him one whit happier or better. It is not knowledge or learning or culture in which the world of men find happiness and safety; but in the inner life of the Spirit of Christ which has deepened and broadened the spirit of man since His first coming, and which has become the moral power that shapes the destinies of men after all. He came to His own, and His own received Him not—knew Him not; but He came nevertheless, and the fruits of His coming are everywhere about us, if we will but see. No sane person would willingly have that fact forgotten; for none of the things which we hold precious could endure for long if Jesus were withdrawn from the world and the times. We may all acknowledge that, however we explain Him. He came, thank God for it; and there is every reason for believing that His Name is as He gave it—"I AM."—R. de O., in The Living Church.

OUR PECULIAR HOLIDAY

Thanksgiving Day is, indeed, peculiarly our American festival. It helps us to realize that we are essentially a God-fearing people. Now and then some exceptional individual, exalted into an office that is too great for him, may hold, as did a one-time Governor of Governor of Texas, that he has "no official information that God ever did anything for Texas," but the people quietly repudiate that sordid sort of view. They do it freely and voluntarily—because they recognize that the whole people want it. There are neither atheists nor agnostics on Thanksgiving Day.

But the way in which, individually, we observe the day is the test of our own vital appreciation of what God has done for us and for our nation. Some of us celebrate with our hearts and minds; some with our stomachs.—The Living Church.

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Parishioners are asked to send prompt notice of change of residence.
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"THE RECORD"

With this, the June issue, "The Record" will close its publication until the October number, as is the usual custom, the three summer months being omitted.

It is needless to speak of the value of this paper to the parish, and the many messages it carries to those who are interested. We regret very much we are unable to mail a copy to every member of the congregation, but the expense is too great to be maintained throughout the year's issues.

PARISH REGISTER

Communicants Transferred

May 10—Marietta Waller, to St. Mary's.
10—Mrs. Katharine C. Broadbent,
to Woodbury Heights, N. J.
May 11—Mrs. C. A. Burtnett,
Frances M. Burtnett,
Margaret Burtnett,
Christine Burtnett, to Epiph-
any, Sherwood.
21—Mrs. Allen Childs,
Janet Childs,
Katharine Childs, to Christ
Church, Philadelphia.
June 7—Maud Miller Rile, St. Paul's,
Chestnut Hill.
7—William Metz, Ordered to the
Diaconate.

Present number of communicants, 587.

Baptized

Easter Even, 1914, Herbert Edwin Wil-
marth.
May 3—Ed. William Thomas Allender.
10—Elsa Weatherly Beamish.
17—Gibson McCabe.
June 7—Walter Bright Rile, Jr.

Married

May 27—Preston Leroy Bozarth,
Beatrice K. Hunter.
June 6—Frederick Stoddard Chaffee,
Helen Colladay Keen.
10—The Rev. B. W. Puelinger, B.D.
Emma Rudman Allmendinger

Confirmed

May 29—Daniel Suttor Miller.

AN EPISODE IN THE HISTORY OF
ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

While it was uncertain that your Rec-
tor would remain at St. Philip's, or de-
part to work in other fields, there was a
matter going on of very great import-
ance to the members of the parish.

It was confidently asserted that when
the three trustees of old St. Philip's made
over to Trinity, Maylandville, their name
and their money, amounting to \$43,000,
that in the deed of gift the proviso ap-
peared that the service carried on at old
St. Philip's, in 1841, when the Rev. Dr.
Cooper was rector, must be perpetuated
in the successor's Church at Forty-
second Street and Baltimore Avenue.

The names of the three Trustees were
Messrs. William F. Read, Townsend
Willits, and Allen Childs.

Exhaustive searches have been made
for the finding of this paper. It was
supposed to be in the keeping of Mr.
William F. Read.

When this gentleman returned from

Europe, he was asked to produce this paper. Mr. Read opened a safe deposit box containing all the paper relative to the transfer of the property from the trustees to the Church at Maylandville, which once stood on the corner of Forty-second and Regent Streets.

No paper containing any such proviso was found, and those gentlemen who were active in this search for such a paper have, it is reported, come to the conclusion that no such proviso was ever written or put into the deed of transfer.

Therefore, until such a paper is found, there is no obligation resting upon the Corporation of St. Philip's Church, Philadelphia, to keep the Service as it was in the days of 1841.

The only Ecclesiastical obligation resting upon the Rector, Vestry and Congregation is to hold a service that shall conform to the Doctrine and Discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

The standard of worship in this Church is the Book of Common Prayer. Those prayers and services as they are prescribed must be used.

Whether prayers be intoned or said or sung, is a matter of each congregation's use and custom. The difference in conducting the manner of worship in 1841 and 1914—some 73 years—is a great difference.

To illustrate: If we had been forced to continue the manner of worship at St. Philip's as it was in 1841, the Rector would preach in a black gown, and we would be forced to listen to a quartette choir. The early Celebration of the Holy Communion would be forbidden, and Evening Communions insisted upon. Those would be a few of the changes we would have to make in our service of to-day.

To-day we are free from the tyranny of something that does not exist.

What then? This, and this first, and

in the very plainest words: Your Rector, after he arrived here and in the same year was installed by the Bishop of Pennsylvania. While the temporalities are in the control of the Vestry, the conduct of the Service belongs to the Rector, with the restrictions aforesaid.

The Rector will proceed upon a two-fold principle. He will seek to fasten the members of the congregation to St. Philip's by hoops of steel, and draw all people that can be drawn into that Church. He will seek to increase by such means as he deems best the spirit of Romans. Whatever will be done will be done slowly and with teaching.

This Branch of the Church has a great legacy of teaching left in her charge! While the ear can be instructed, the eye must have its share.

God must be worshipped in all the beauty and with all the romance that he has commanded. This episode in our history is no movement toward Rome, as some might think. It is really a step further away from Rome. It all comes to this question, Will you trust your Rector to teach you? Upon your answer to this question will rest the history of the conclusion of this episode.

VACATION DAYS

Have arrived, and we are joyously anticipating the real rest that should come to those whose hands and feet and minds have been so occupied during the busy nine months when we try to make the average day 25 hours long, and burn the candle at both ends. The best tonic that we can have is fresh air at the seaside or mountains. The best way to take it into the system is not in small doses of three or four days at a time, but all at once, and as long as we can stay away from the city, with its dirt and smells. To come and go, and get what you can does not do us much good. The average working man or woman

has a fourteen days' vacation. Take it all at one time, and at the end of the summer, if you can.

So much for ourselves.

And what of that great army that is unable to breathe this God-given fresh air; who are obliged to stay in the foul-smelling city all summer long, gasping for breath and filling the lungs with a miserable substitute for the ozone that comes from salt water or the pine-swept winds of the mountains?

What of them?

"Am I my brother's keeper?" cries the worldly man or woman. "What do I care if children and old men and women rot? All I want is to take care of my own sweet self!"

Not very pretty words or thought! But, pretty or not, you know they are true. In the greed and grasp for wealth, everyone is for himself.

But did Christ ever teach such a gospel? We are commanded to do what we can for the brother who is not so fortunate as we are.

While we are breathing in the blessed air and receiving a supply of health and strength, to take us through the next fall and winter and spring, let us think of that great army of men, women and children who languish in our cities.

Give them a chance!

What can you do? You have perhaps not more than five dollars to give. That only goes a little way in these days. Yes, but your five dollars added to what others give will do a lot of good. As the hot weather becomes more intense, watch the newspapers talking about their Ice Fund, or their Fresh Air Fund. Then give what you can, with the prayer that it may have God's blessing as you send it on its errand of mercy. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my children, ye have done it unto me."

SERVICES IN THE SUMMER

Will be conducted by the Rev. Fletcher Clark, at 8.00 and 11.00 A. M. The evening services and Thursdays and Saint Days will be omitted until further notice. A quartette from the Choir will lead the singing.

The Rev. Mr. Clark will be ready to respond to all calls made upon him. He can be communicated with during the hours of nine and ten o'clock at the Parish House, each weekday morning.

The Rector's vacation begins on June 15, and lasts until September 15. He requests that this vacation be his own, and that he shall not be called upon to perform services save those which he has already agreed to perform.

Such a freedom from responsibility may seem arbitrary, but the Rector would remind his people that he has had no holiday since January, 1913. Therefore he asks that while he is away, the Rev. Mr. Clark be called to perform whatever services that may be required.

THE LADIES' AID

The May meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society was an important and an interesting one, twenty members being present, and much interest is being taken in the plans for the Bazaar, to be held in November. Not only is the "Aid" much interested, but many of the women of the Parish have expressed their desire to help in the work, and we all hope that by working for the Bazaar during the summer, that it will be a great success, and that the indebtedness on the Church may be entirely wiped out.

Three new service books for the Chancel are to be given by one of the members of the Ladies' Aid, as a "memorial," also a water cruet, for use in the Communion service, will be given by another member.

A new green altar cloth, pulpit fall, and book markers are to be presented to

the Church by the 'Ladies' Aid,' and it is expected that they will be finished by the early fall.

M. W. Harper, Cor. Sec.

Under the auspices of "The Ladies' Aid," a Bazaar will be held in the Parish House, on November 11, 12 and 13 (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday).

The proceeds are to be used towards liquidating the debt of \$3,500 which was incurred for repairing and re-furnishing the Church during the summer of 1912.

The Aid earnestly begs the hearty co-operation of each and every member of the congregation.

Any one desiring to assist in any way will kindly communicate with the president, Mrs. Constant Eakin Jones, 4711 Chester Avenue; phone, Woodland 2032 D.

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS

The last meeting of the season of the St. Philip's Circle of the King's Daughters was held on Thursday afternoon, May 21, at the residence of Mrs. Frank E. Hamell, 504 Woodland Terrace.

The annual birthday party took place at this time, each member bringing or sending in as many pennies as she was years old. Nearly ten dollars was received. This money is to be sent to the Mason Rescue Mission, 402 N. Franklin Street, this city.

Marguerite Bement,
Recording Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

During the year, nine regular meetings have been held, with an average attendance of 17. After the annual meeting in May, meetings were discontinued until September, when we met again for the winter's work.

At this meeting, letters were read for the Missionary Box, which must be sent

early, in order to reach them by Christmas. We selected a family living in Iowa—missionary, wife and two little girls. Our boxes always contain new clothing for each, with household supplies, and always include a few surprises for Christmas. The grateful letters of appreciation more than repay for the time and money spent.

Each month the delegates to meetings at the Church House have reported the wonderful work being done in the different missionary districts, and the opportunities to help are, of course, almost endless; but so many have been turned aside for lack of money in the treasury.

After Christmas, the Lenten work was planned, and during Lent, meetings were held every week, and about fifty articles of clothing for boys and girls made and sent to St. Martha's House, at Eighth and Snyder Avenue. This Settlement House is doing fine work in that section, and is outgrowing its present quarters. A large Fair is being planned, and all the churches have been asked to take part and help to raise a large sum towards the running expenses of the House.

The United Offering from St. Philip's amounted this year to \$82.92.

The annual report of the Librarian of the Church Periodical Club for St. Philip's shows: Donors, 27; periodicals, 35; Christmas cards, 100; and a large box of odd magazines sent to the Rev. T. H. Logie, Hulls Cove, Maine; and 3,000 magazines were sent to the Seamen's Mission in St. Philip's name.

Last year we had a visit from Mr. Connelly, of the Appalachian Industrial School, and this winter a letter was received, asking for second-hand clothing. The boys will work for the clothes, and as they are struggling to enlarge the buildings and make the school self-supporting, by raising and selling fruit, we have collected some clothing which will be sent him.

In October, Rev. P. C. Daito, from Japan, told us about his work. He is a graduate of the Philadelphia Divinity School, and is now in charge of St. John's Church, Tokyo. Their great need is a suitable building, and his appeal was for this purpose. He was also selling some small purses and pictures made by the young people in Japan.

Mrs. Hughson came to us in January, and as we have always been particularly interested in Grace Hospital, she is always a welcome visitor. Grace Hospital is rapidly winning the confidence of the people, who in the mountain places are so superstitious, and ignorant of sanitary measures. This year they graduated their first class from the Training School. Three young women received diplomas, and their silver crosses, to serve as reminders of the ideals of the Hospital, for the religious side of the work has always been emphasized.

Mr. Allen, from the Waynesville Associate Mission, came in February, and gave an interesting account of his work among the mountaineers. The Mission has under its care nine churches, four mountain schools, training school for girls, industrial mission for colored boys and girls, and also works among the Cherokee Indians.

Mr. Allen asks for scholarships, which are ten dollars a year. We have been sending five of these for several years, but were only able to send four and a half this year.

At our March meeting, we had a most interesting talk from Miss Alice Beath, who has been working under Bishop Thomas, in Wyoming. The work is largely with the Arapahoe and Shoshone tribes of Indians, who, while speaking a different language, live peaceably as near neighbors. Miss Beath gave many personal experiences and anecdotes of the life, and made us realize the work was worth while.

While unable this year to take up much of the new work presented, we have helped with small amount the various appeals, and close our year with our pledges all paid. Caroline Bement, Secretary.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The closing day exercises of the Sunday School were held on Sunday afternoon, May 31, with a service in the Church at three o'clock.

The service was in charge of the Rector, who made a very interesting address to the scholars.

During the service, the graduating classes from one department to another were announced, and the scholars welcomed to their new departments as follows: Miss Elizabeth M. Hunter receiving the Beginners into the Primary; Mrs. John Loman, the Primary into the Juniors; and the Superintendent those from the Junior into the Senior.

The annual custom of presenting a class picture by the graduating classes was carried out; the Senior Department, as a whole, presenting one to that department. Four very handsome pictures were added to those already on the walls of the Sunday School.

The names of those perfect in attendance from one to six years were announced, and awards duly presented for the scholars' efforts.

School will resume its sessions on the third Sunday in September.

The graduates were as follows:

From Beginners to Primary Department

Harriet Tobin	Jean Harter
Elizabeth Mackenzi	Harriet Culin
Frances Dade	Helen Stillman
Nadine Fraser	Danforth Walker
Louise Boyle	Frances Gibson

From Primary to Junior Department

Anna Dallett	Edward Shumway
Helen Fogg	Alexander Hamell
Mary Purnell	Watson Rulon

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James Taylor Joseph Rulon
John Maxwell Virginia Gibson
Frances Schermerhorn
Anne Louise Johnson

From Junior to Senior Department
Edith Brown Dorothy Hall
Marion Buckley Elizabeth Miller
Ruth Wagner

Those having perfect attendance from one to six years, and presented with awards, were as follows:

One Year

Elizabeth Mackenzie, Beginners.
William Freeman, Primary.
Jane Fairfax Hill, Primary
John Codman, Primary
Thomas Halloway, Primary
Florence Purnell, Primary.
Anne Louise Johnson, Primary.
Frederick Buckley, Junior.
William Rommel, Junior.
Frances Schermerhorn, Junior.
Katherine Wood, Junior.
Marion Lukens, Junior.
Gertrude Blackburn, Senior.
Ann Lukens, Senior.
Barrett Culin, Senior.

Two Years

Harriet Tobin, Beginners.
Violet Tobin, Primary.
Richard Zebley, Primary.
Dorothy Martin Johnson, Primary.
Mary Purnell, Primary.
Katherine Schermerhorn, Junior.
Betty Zebley, Junior.

Three Years

Franklin Field, Junior.
Helen Boyd, Senior.
Louis Brunner, Senior.

Four Years

Mae Garmon, Senior. Jane Culin, Senior.

Five Years

Louise Zebley, Senior.
Alan Wilson, Senior.
John Culin, Senior.

Six Years

Frank Rogers, Senior.

THE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

The sixth annual Strawberry Festival given by the Sunday School was held in the Parish Building on the evening of Friday, May 22, from seven until ten o'clock.

The affair was a most successful one, about three hundred being present, from the school and those interested.

Preparations were made during the month by the various committees in charge, and most excellent work was done by all. The Superintendent takes this opportunity of extending the thanks of the Sunday School for the hearty co-operation of all.

A minstrel show by the members of the "Boys' Club" was given in the Senior and Junior rooms at eight o'clock, and was very largely attended, and greatly enjoyed.

Those taking part in the minstrel show were as follows:

Interlocutor, Mr. George Sayen.

End Men: Thomas J. Wark, John S. Wilson.

Accompanist, Miss Helen Sergeson.

Messrs. Frank Rogers, William J. Rogers, Walter Rogers, Harry Kuhlmeier, James Curtis, Jr., Willis Van Osten, James McCann.

The performance concluded with the famous "Zobo Band" of the Boys' Club, Thomas J. Wark, Conductor.

MEN'S CLUB

The annual meeting of the Men's Club was held at the Parish House on Wednesday evening, May 6, President Hutchinson in the chair, at which the following officers were unanimously elected for the ensuing year:

President, Francis M. Hutchinson.

Vice President, Eugene P. Coho.

Treasurer, Lee S. Harris.

Secretary, E. Tracy Tobin.

After receiving the Treasurer's report,

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and attending to routine business, plans were adopted for the purpose of increasing the membership of the Club; it being the desire to have enrolled as a member very man in the parish. Committees were also arranged for the purpose of extending hospitality, and visiting sick members.

A resolution of thanks was adopted, extending the thanks of the Club to Mr. Charles C. Kinney, chairman of the Dinner Committee, for the very able and satisfactory manner in which he had discharged the duties of that office.

The annual dues of the Club are one dollar, there being no entrance fee. It is hoped to have a membership by the Fall of at least 150 men.

THE CHANCEL SOCIETY

The Chancel Society held its first regular Fall meeting on October 2, 1913. It was decided to have a shelf, or folding table, made for the Vestry room, for holding the Holy Communion vessels and flower vases. Also, the President is to order shelves to be put in the old closet, for the replacing of the new Super-Fontals. At the same time, a new kettle for heating water and the necessary gas tubing is to be purchased.

The November meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. Williamson, in the hopes of getting some sewing done. Only two members responded to the call, however, who cut out some turn-over collars, and made some hem-stitched linen squares. The cassocks for the choir girls were cut out, and the sewing begun on them.

At the meeting on December 11, Mrs. Jones suggested that an effort be made to raise money for new purple hangings this year, and said that the Ladies' Aid Society would give \$25.00 toward the same.

On January 8, the design was shown

for the new purple hangings, and it was decided to elaborate the design slightly. As there was so little money on hand, the original idea of having them ready for Ash Wednesday was given up. The new white hangings were used for the first time on Christmas day. The money for them having been raised last season.

On February 5, the Treasurer, having received a generous contribution toward the purple hangings, which brought the sum up to within a few dollars of the amount required, it was decided to at once place the order for them, in hopes of their being done by the beginning of Lent.

At the meeting on March 5, it was reported that the new purple hangings were finished, and had been used on the first Sunday in Lent. Sufficient money had been received to pay for them in full, the Ladies' Aid Society having given an additional ten dollars.

On April 2, the first corporate Communion of the Chancel Society was held in the Church, at 9.30 A. M.

At the business meeting afterwards, the treasurer reported a balance of ten dollars, after paying for the purple Altar hangings. It was decided to use the money for the purchase of materials for a new white burse and veil.

Miss Brown kindly offered to make and embroider them.

At the May meeting, the necessity for new surplices was discussed, and it was decided to see what it would cost to import them, ready-made, from England.

A beautiful silver vase for the Credence Table has been given to the Church, and was used for the first time on Easter day.

The treasurer's report is as follows:

Receipts

Balance in bank, October, 1913..\$162.51
Dues 7.00
Appropriation from Church Treas-

urer	75.00
For Purple Hangings	118.00
For Altar Flower Fund	15.00
Extra from Choir Concert	2.50

\$380.01

Expenditures

White Hangings	\$139.50
Purple Hangings	110.00
Chancel Laundry (seven months)	48.42
Altar Flower Fund	25.00
Wanamaker's bill	5.34
Carpenter and printing	7.50
Mohair for Girls' Cassocks	20.32
Balance in bank	23.93

\$380.01

E. H. Ferree, Secretary.

Man's Indebtedness

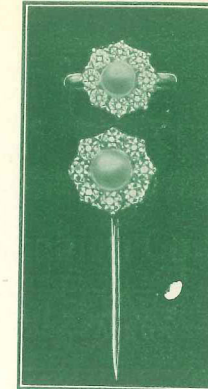
Here and there, in the commonplace walks of life, we find a man who seeks his heritage in the living, which he claims the world owes him. From such as these—narrow, selfish, and lacking rightful ambition—we turn our thoughts with refreshing contrast to the other larger body—the working, striving, great-hearted people who are so busy paying back their own indebtedness to this wonderful world of opportunities, that they have no time for conjecture as to how much the world owes them. And just how much are we in debt to the world—to our Church—and to our God? Can we number the personal blessings that come to us through the bountiful hand of God? Can we measure the depths of character, of mind and of soul that have their growth through the vast opportunities which life gives us at every turn? When we face the wonder of it all, we are humbled, then filled with a deep sense of gratitude that encourages and uplifts the soul to a higher plane

of love and service, and finally, like a holy benediction, comes the wondrous revelation that God, through His immeasurable love, finds His children worthy of all the richness of life's opportunities, else He would not call us "heirs of the Kingdom." But with each blessing He gives us, comes its companion—responsibility—to share these joys with other lives—for, if no good may come to others through our living, then indeed will our lives be in vain. But if, from the threads of life, one strand may bind a soul to good purposes, or lift a heart from despair—then it has accomplished a noble work, and its mission is not a failure.

In our church life, what we need is the missionary spirit in the broadest and deepest sense. Surely, we need classes to study kinds and conditions of un-Christian people, we need the mite-boxes and the missionary magazines, but more than all these, we need such a real, such a throbbing love for our fellow-man, that we will gladly give our actual service, our outstretched hand, to the one who has stumbled, and our personal labor in providing food and clothing for the destitute and forsaken. "What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult to others?" If we could divide the time and strength that we give to our comfortable classes, our sociable teas, and our uplift clubs—with the real work of visiting and helping the neediest of our fellow-creatures, not only would we be fulfilling the sacred command, "Bear ye one another's burdens," but we would have our reward, our heaven upon earth, in seeing lives brought from misery into comfort, from shadow into sunshine; and in such blessed manner would we be paying back to God, to His Church, and to His beautiful world, some of the debt we owe.

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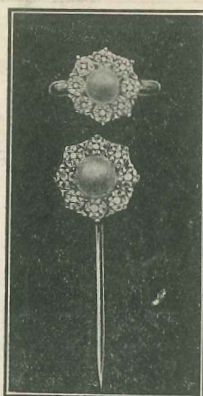
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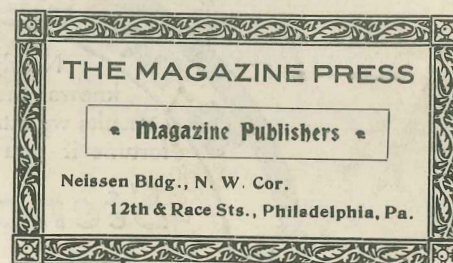
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CHURCH KALENDAR FOR DECEMBER, 1914, AND JANUARY, 1915

Dec. 13—Third Sunday in Advent.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 8.00 P. M.

Dec. 17—Thursday. The Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.

Dec. 20—Fourth Sunday in Advent.
8.00, 11.00 A. M.; 2.30, 8.00 P. M.

Dec. 21—St. Thomas, Apostle, 9.30 A. M.

Dec. 24—Christmas Eve Service, 5.30 P. M.

Dec. 25—Christmas Day Celebrations:
The Holy Eucharist, 7, 8, 11 A. M.
Offerings for The Clergy Relief.

Dec. 26—St. Stephen, Martyr, 9.30 A. M.

Dec. 27—St. John, Evangelist.
Sunday after Christmas:
8, 11, 2.30, 8 P. M.

Bible School Celebration; singing of
Carols; Address by the Rev. H. McKnight Moore, 2.30 P. M.

Dec. 28—Holy Innocents, 9.30 A. M.

Dec. 31—The Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.
1915.

Jan. 1—Feast of the Circumcision, 9.30 A. M.

Jan. 3—Second Sunday after Christmas.
8, 11 A. M.; 2.30, 8 P. M.

Jan. 6—Feast of The Epiphany, 9.30 A. M.

Dedication of the Organ by Bishop
Garland, 8.00 P. M.

Jan. 7—Thursday. The Holy Communion, 10.00 A. M.

Jan. 10—First Sunday after Epiphany.
8, 11 A. M.; 2.30, 8 P. M.

Jan. 29—Sunday School Entertainment,
8.00 P. M.

PARISH REGISTER

Communicants Received

Nov. 24—Mrs. H. McKnight Moore,
H. McKnight Moore, Jr.,
James Suyham Moore, from
Chapel of The Mediator.

Communicants Transferred

Oct. 19—Arthur Ellis,
Eugene Ellis,
Mrs. Eugene Ellis,
Margaret Ellis, to St. Mark's,
Berkeley, Cal.

Nov. 3—Mrs. M. J. Lightner, to Church
of The Atonement.

Dec. 4—George Sayen,
Mrs. Mabel S. Sayen,
Mrs. Rebecca J. Simes, to St.
Mary's, Ardmore, Pa.

Dec. 8—Mrs. Rebecca Lucas, to St.
John's in The Wilderness,
Gibbsboro, N. J.

Present number of communicants, 560.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Are placed in the vases each Sunday, in
memoriam, by different members of the
congregation. The cost is \$2.00 each
Sunday. Contributions are earnestly
desired. Address, Miss Willits, 4405
Spruce Street, who will tell you just
what Sunday you can take for this
purpose.

ORGAN RECITALS

Are being given each Sunday evening by Mr. Peabody, our new Organist. It is earnestly hoped that the members of our congregation will take advantage of this fact and come.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

The Clergy extend the season's greeting to the parishioners of St. Philip's Church. Peace in your hearts, peace in your homes, and peace in your relations to your fellows. That each may grow in grace, and favor with God and man. That our joy may appear to all men, and all may be drawn close to the Babe in His helpless appeal, in His holy innocence. May He purify our lives, and sweeten our characters, till our hearts, our homes, our friends, shall see Him only, the gracious influence of and over all. Even so, come, Lord Jesus; come quickly in this Advent Season.

SOMETHING EACH DAY

Something each day—a smile,
It is not much to give.
And the little gifts of life
Make sweet the days we live,
The world has weary hearts
That we can bless and cheer,
And a smile for every day
Makes sunshine all the year.

Something each day—a word,
We cannot know its power;
It grows in fruitfulness
As grows the gentle flower.
What comfort it may bring
Where all is dark and drear!
For a kind word every day
Makes pleasant all the year.

Something each day—a thought,
Unselfish, good, and true,
That aids another's need
While we our way pursue:

That seeks to lighten hearts,
That leads to pathways clear,
For a helpful thought each day
Makes happy all the year.

Something each day—a deed
Of kindness and of good,
To link in closer bonds
All human brotherhood.
Oh, thus the heavenly will
We all may do while here;
For a good deed every day
Makes blessed all the year.

"THE SANTA CLAUS GIRL"

It was the morning of St. Valentine's day. Icicles hung from the window ledges, snow heaped the curbs, and a relentless wind swooped around the corners, and burst into doorways, and handled coats and hats without ceremony. It caught in its embrace a pretty girl struggling to turn the corner, with her eye on the big post-office door, and sent her scurrying up the steps and right into a small boy—a Very Small Boy—who was gazing disconsolately out at the landscape through the swinging doors.

"Mercy, child!" she cried, in a gay, friendly voice. "Did I hurt you? Are you waiting for somebody?"

"No'm," said the Very Small Boy—"I'm waiting for a valentine."

"O—oh!" said the Pretty Girl understandingly. And she held out an envelope as quick as a wink. "Here's a perfectly lovely one!"

But the Very Small Boy shook his head. "I want my own valentine," he said—"one out of the post-office—with my name on it."

And right then a miracle took place, for without knowing it herself, the Pretty Girl, whose real name was Olive May Wilson, of Jenkintown, Pa., underwent a magical transformation, and be-

came, for all time—The Santa Claus Girl.

She came away from the post-office—which now held, you may be sure, an envelope authentically addressed with the name of the Very Small Boy—with a sudden vision not only of other little children waiting for valentines, but of hundreds and hundreds of eager, wistful little hearts at Christmas time, whose holiday faith must go unrewarded.

Unless—!

At fifty we are conservative in our undertakings—at forty, cautious; at thirty, temperate; but at seventeen, we are magnificent in our temerity.

Olive May Wilson was just "going on" seventeen; so her answer to that "unless" was not what yours or mine might have been—the resolution to remember your laundress' half-dozen poor kiddies next Christmas day—but a very well-defined and positive plan to take care of five thousand empty little pairs of hands.

(The above is taken from an opening article on "The Santa Claus Girl," published in the December number of McCall's Magazine, and describes in substance the work undertaken by that most interesting young person.)

SPECIAL PREACHER

With the consent and approval of Bishop Garland, the Rector has asked the Rev. H. McKnight Moore to be the Special Preacher at St. Philip's. In January, 1915, Mr. Moore take charge at Lansdale, Pa., relieving the Rev. Mr. Urban, who is in delicate health. However, during the month of December, and at such other times as he can be spared, Mr. Moore will take duty at our Church. It is needless to say that we are very glad to welcome him back home, for it was in St. Philip's that Mr.

Moore was confirmed by Bishop Whitaker. He then became Lay Reader, and was ordained to the Diaconate by Bishop Coleman, and was presented for the office of a Deacon by the Rector, who in a short time also presented him for the Priesthood to Bishop Mackay-Smith. He afterwards served at St. Mary's, West Philadelphia, for eighteen months, and then began his mission work at Fifty-first and Spruce, the Rector being present at the opening service. The Rector feels that Mr. Moore, as Special Preacher, will do much good, and feels that Mr. Moore, in coming here, is among people who know him and are glad that he is coming back to his former home.

THE BAZAAR

The Bazaar given by the Ladies' Aid, on November 12, 13 and 14, proved to be successful in raising \$700.00, the amount of money it was hoped to make.

The attendance was not what we hoped it would be, as the weather was most propitious (unlike that of the former bazaar, when the first day was so stormy, but the second day being fine; \$1,000.00 being realized). This time, with the Fair being held for three days, only \$700.00 was made in all. The unusual financial condition of the times may have had something to do with these results.

At the Chicken and Waffle Supper, the attendance was far greater than was expected for over 400 people were served at it.

Two hundred and fifty dollars of the Bazaar receipts go for the last payment on the organ, and it is very gratifying to the Ladies' Aid that the organ has been almost entirely paid for by their untiring efforts.

M. W. Harper, Cor. Sec.

DOOR OF BLESSING

Will you please thank St. Philip's Sunday School for their very generous offering on Thanksgiving Day, to be used at the Door of Blessing. There were 122 packages of groceries, canned goods, vegetables, and fruit. We feel that this is going to be a hard winter for us, and all of these things will be a great help. Once more thanking you, and wishing the Sunday School all success for the coming year,

Very sincerely,
Gertrude S. Brown, Matron.

Having recently heard Miss Wilson in a public address, tell the intensely interesting story of her work, the Rector of St. Philip's asked her to repeat it at the evening service on Sunday, November 29, which was held for that purpose in the Parish House, and those who were present to hear her will not soon forget the privilege; for, in an attractive, unassuming, conversational manner, Miss Wilson told a story that went straight to the heart, and enlisted not only the sympathy, but the active interest of her auditors, and, as a result, the members of the Choir, together with many of the congregation, have sent the charming little "Santa Claus Girl" a liberal donation of dolls and toys, for distribution to her "kiddies."

MEN'S ASSOCIATION

A well attended meeting of the Men's Association was held in the Parish House on Wednesday evening, December 2. At this meeting, a very important work was taken up, that of aiding the young men of the parish in the formation of an association of their own, which is elsewhere reported in this issue of the Record. It was agreed by the Association that for the purpose of aiding the young men in financing their or-

ganization, the Men's Association would undertake to become and obtain Associate members of the Young Men's Association, at fifty cents per month, associate or contributing members to have all the privileges of the younger men's club, except that of voting or holding office. The Association arranged to provide a combination billiard and pool table, shuffleboards, etc., and voted to do all in their power to make the new organization financially a success. A request will be sent to all the men of the parish to become associate or contributing members. This is considered one of the most practical and important works yet undertaken by the Men's Association, by means of which the Rector believes a large number of the young men of the parish will be brought into closer touch, and much good accomplished.

Owing to the fact that the next regular meeting of the Association would fall on the Feast of the Epiphany, the meeting will be held on Thursday, January 7, at which time a Men's Party will be given, to which the men of the parish are cordially invited.

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION

There was organized on Wednesday evening, December 2, in the Parish House, an organization for the young men of the parish. The name adopted was the Young Men's Association. The following officers were elected, and committees appointed: President, Thomas J. Wark; Vice President, Frederick Ripley; Secretary, Walter Rogers; Treasurer, John Wilson, Jr. House Committee: Thomas J. Wark, John Culin, Jr., J. Earl Wagner, and William Annerly; Entertainment Committee: Thomas J. Wark, John Wilson, Jr., Frederick Ripley, and William Annerly; Membership Committee: J. Earl Wagner, John Culin, Jr., and Frank Rogers.

Athletic Committee: William Annerly, H. Bowles, William Rogers, and Frank Rogers. Advisory Board: Rev. Clarence Wyatt Bispham, chairman; Henry A. Terry, Eugene P. Coho, and E. Tracy Tobin.

The club will meet on the third Thursday in each month, and will be open every evening, with the exception, of course, of Sunday, for the use of the members and their friends. A combination billiard and pool table has been purchased, shuffleboards will be, and a thoroughly up-to-date and well-equipped club maintained. Monthly entertainments are to be given.

It is believed this organization will meet a long-felt want in the parish, and that much good will come of it, for the young men of the parish and neighborhood, affording them a meeting place for clean, healthful amusement, and at all times under proper supervision.

JESUS' CONQUEST PROGRAM

There came a day in the ministry of Jesus when the forces against him gathered their full strength and allied themselves in organized opposition to him and his work. The Pharisees joined forces with the Herodians, with the deliberate determination to put an end to Christ and his influence.

Jesus then planned a campaign which would successfully meet this organized opposition of the Pharisees and the Herodians, and which would overcome organized opposition to the gospel in all generations to come.

When the early Church put this conquest program of Jesus into operation, they turned the world upside down. Opposition was swept away before them. When, in the centuries since, the Church has gone back to this plan of campaign, opposition has given way before the Church. What, then, was this

plan of Jesus for overcoming opposition?

Jesus' conquest program was very simple. He chose a few men to whom he revealed himself as the Saviour, and whom he taught, in order that they might go out and preach the gospel to the world. This is the program which will always succeed when the Church puts it into practical operation—men who know Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour, who know the gospel message, and who will witness for Christ in the world.

This program carried out will bring success to our church, in spite of every difficulty. When the members of the Church know Christ as their personal Saviour, make the Church a meeting place with Christ, where they learn more of God's message to men, and then go out to tell others of their Saviour, no power can prevent progress and success. The Church will fail only when professing Christians do not know Jesus Christ, do not know the gospel message, and do not witness for Christ.

No field can possibly be more difficult than the city of Jerusalem, in which the apostles began their labors, and yet the Church grew there as Christians carried out this program. No city could be harder for Christians to work in than the heathen cities where Paul preached, and yet he won men to Christ and established growing churches.

FIVE DON'TS

- Don't forget to pray.
- Don't forget that God reigns over you.
- Don't forget that Jesus is your only Saviour.
- Don't forget to love, and then obey Christ.
- Don't forget to show your love and loyalty by worshipping Him publicly in His House, the Church, on Sunday.

THE PARISH DIRECTORY

THE SERVICES

Sunday	8 and 11 A. M. ; 8 P. M.
The Holy Communion	Sundays, 8.00 A. M.
First Sunday in month,	11 A. M.
Saint's Days	9.30 A. M.

NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.

Those who wish to become members of the parish are asked to send their names and addresses to the Rector. Applications for pews or settings should be made to the Accounting Warden, J. H. Zebley.

Parishioners are asked to send prompt notice of change of residence.

The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for baptisms, marriages, or funerals.

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Vice-Director, Francis M. Hutchinson
Secretary and Treasurer, Walter A. Hartman.
Meets second Friday in month

Girls' Friendly Society

In charge of Miss Fulton
Saturday, 10 a. m., [Children]

Christmas Time

Now the bells begin to chime
In a quick, tumultuous rhyme,
That reverberates with music—
Kinsmen, it is Christmas time!

What though all the earth be drear
'Neath the dying of the year,
All the stars above shine splendid
At this melody they hear.

While the darkness grows deep blent
With a mantling merriment,
Unto which, at once responsive,
Weald and welkin give assent.

Let the bleak North breezes blow
Over silences of snow,
They but feed the flaming rapture
That hath set the sky aglow.

Joyfuller than nights of June,
Gentler than the harvest moon,
Are the watches of December,
With their wild, triumphant tune!

Sweeter than all flowers that were
Is the scent of pine and fir
From the hillside, quite forsaken,
Yet with ecstasy astir!

List! in solitudes apart,
How the eager echoes start,
And how instant, without question,
Leaps an answer in the heart.

List, again! lift up your head;
Lo, the blossoms are not dead,
But adream, and full of laughter,
Each within its narrow bed!

List, oh, listen!—are you sad?
These clear bells will make you glad,
Till you well with exultation,
Like some happy-hearted lad!

And discover in delight,
From the mystic pulse of night,
Faith more deep than deepest knowledge,
And more excellent than sight!

Kinsmen, out of every clime,
Ere the summons—sweet, sublime—
Dies away before the morning,
Waken—it is Christmas time!
—Augustus W. Bomberger.

"PRACTICAL IDEALISM"

The greatest achievements in all ages have been wrought as a result of practical idealism. This is a practical age, and, for many, that only is worth while which has a useful basis, and which can offer concrete results in daily life. Granted that this is the true condition, and that it is legitimate as a standard of measurement of values, we still declare that the fundamental secret of all conquests, whether in human life or in the world about us, is that practical idealism which has found place in the minds of men and women. Whether it be Moses leading an army of slaves from bondage into freedom, whether it be an Isaiah receiving Divine messages, and endeavoring in turn to use them as a means of guiding nations in their life, or a Jesus, with his marvelous vision of a Kingdom of God; or a Columbus, with eye turned undiscerned by temporary defeat or opposition toward a New World; or a Galilee, or a Luther, or a Michael Angelo, or Rafael, or Beethoven or Wagner, whether it be a Lincoln or an Edison, or a myriad thousand others who have attained favor and distinction in the world of achievement, we say with deliberation that all they have given to the world in the realm of art or science or politics or religion have been the fruit of Ideals that stirred within their hearts.

God spake and the world came into being. But before he spake, he thought; his thoughts clustered about certain ideals, and the earth is but the thought of God, the product of idealism.

The artist stands before a piece of canvas. No picture is before him. But, yes, there is. There is a picture in his mind, and keeping his vision directed toward that mental picture, brains and paint combined give to the world a Nerekacsy's Christ before Pilate, or a Rafael's Madonna.

The sculptor stands before a square block of marble. No model before him save for an ideal that God has put within his heart, and with deft use of mallet and chisel, as the marble wastes, a beautiful image is unveiled, and the world receives as the product of idealism a "Venus de Milo" or a "Winged Victory."

Turner, when addressed by a critic of his art, who said, "I don't see the sunsets you portray on canvas," replied, "Don't you wish you could?" When da Vinci was painting the Last Supper, his patron became impatient at the artist's delay. Da Vinci was waiting for the vision, and day after day he wanted before he put his hand to the canvas.

We are too impatient to-day. We want to get rich quick. We want to compose some great oratorio in a day, or to paint a masterpiece in a moment. We are not willing to wait for the vision. Superiority comes as a result of our Idealism. Mediocrity is the result of it. "Where there is no vision, the people perish." God save us from the widespread materialism of to-day, which measures all values by the yard-stick or the dollar. A man was asked, what he would like if given the right to three wishes. First, said he, I would like all the beer there is in the world; second, all the tobacco there is in the world; third, more beer and more tobacco. What a contrast to young Bismarck, playing with tin soldiers, who, when asked, what he was trying to do, replied, "I am making Germany conquer France."

By the Grand Canyon in the West stood a group of tourists peering down into the yawning vortex. First, a young school girl was seen looking over into the canyon, and to exclaim, "Ain't that cute!" Then a sturdy business man

looked over, and he was heard to grunt, "My! what a big hole." But another bystander had idealism, and as he saw that wonder of the world, he expressed his awe and admiration in words similar to these: "The Heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, night unto night showeth knowledge."

The truest end in life is character. Character reveals itself in our work. The highest work is the product of the highest character, and this is shaped by our Ideals. The good, the true, the beautiful, comes from the good, the true and the beautiful thought. As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he.

ON THE MORNING OF CHRIST'S NATIVITY

This is the month and this the happy morn,

Wherein the Son of Heaven's eternal King,

Of wedded maid, and virgin mother born,

Our great redemption from above did bring,

For so the holy sages once did sing,
That He our deadly forfeit should release,

And with His Father work us a perpetual peace.

—Milton.

The day is empty at its close,

Whate'er our gain,

If we have miss'd our Master's steps,

And lived in vain.

He only gather out of life

The highest good,

When self is lost for His dear sake,

In brotherhood.

—I. Mench Chambers.

SHALL KOREA BE BUDDHIST?

The future will disclose whether in Korea Christ shall rule the heart and mind of the nation, or Buddha govern with his worldly and superstitious religion. We must not think that Christ's command to go and preach his gospel in all lands is the only impulse in the world to make religion known to Koreans. Christ's command is the only impulse by which the true religion of love and brotherhood is preached to move the heart and mind of Koreans, to accept his reign over the things of the spirit. His spiritual Kingdom is in combat with the worldly kingdom which Buddha would have established. This contrast points to the reason why Korea encourages and opens its doors to Christ and His missionaries, and why the work in that nation is so blest of God.

But that there is a contest on, which is vital for the salvation of Korea, is now clearly recognized, and our part in that contest is to go forward, striving to uphold the hands of the consecrated men and women in Korea who are, with so much labor and hardship, doing the personal work of preaching the gospel to all men. The following article from the "Japan Times" shows how the ruling class in Korea, the Japanese, look upon this contest for supremacy between Christ and Buddha:

We have always been unrelenting in our opposition to all evangelical work, when tainted in the least with any political motive, or when tending to obtain political results. For it is a form of robbery—robbery of human souls first and of a big slice of other people's land, or even of a whole country, afterward. In this country, in modern times at least, we have fortunately escaped from all troubles arising from foreign missionary activity; but, on the other hand, we have seen what mischief it has done in China,

to say nothing of the fate of Hawaii. Just because of this piece of good luck on our part, we cannot but be impressed all the more strongly by the evil consequences of religio-political movements in other countries. It was principally for the same reason, indeed, that in the early days of the Residency General in Korea we wrote so strongly on the subject.

We now hear that taking advantage of the annexation of Korea, a movement is afoot among some Buddhist sects in this country to launch on an active proselytizing campaign in the peninsula. In these days of religious freedom, no one will take exception to any such project so long as it is conducted on a purely spiritual basis. Nevertheless, it is extremely doubtful that the Buddhist religion, or at least the grossly unphilosophical and superstitious part of it, which alone can be taught by average priests, will do any good to Koreans. Koreans as a whole are born to all sorts and forms of superstitions of their own, and it really seems a sin to burden them with more. But that is only by the way. At the same time that we hear of the above mentioned proposal, we notice an opinion expressed now and then that Buddhistic propagation should be a part of the plan to assimilate Koreans.

Call it a social plan, if you will, but its end is unmistakably political, and we strenuously object to such a scheme. So far we have seen no sign that any plan of the kind would receive support of the administrative authorities in Chosen. But if such should turn out to be the case, we should oppose it all the more vehemently. For the result of carrying it into practice would be to unnecessarily hasten into existence the most abhorred of social nuisances, religious schisms in the peninsula, as it seems evident that its aim is to counteract the now growing Christian influence.

Not that we are committed to the policy of protecting Christianity in Korea; but, if we formerly felt some misgivings about Christian missionary activity there, we no longer see any reason why it should be opposed or hindered in any way.

If, however, there is any real ground for the fear that the native Christian converts are bent on abusing their religious profession in unfair or improper ways, the evil should be met by the dissemination of education, not by the super imposition of a useless set of superstitious formulæ.

The case would be different if Buddhism, however degraded in its form now, has in any way been helpful in bringing about the modern civilization of Japan. But whatever pretensions it may set forth in other directions, it certainly and absolutely has no claim to make in this particular respect; that is, in the work of the moral, intellectual and social elevation of new Japan.

In Korea we are now to do the same work over again, and it is most preposterous for Buddhist bonzes to come forward with their uncalled-for service and with the claim that they can and will do in Korea what they have not done, and never have even tried to do, in Japan. It is still more intolerable that any well-meaning friends of Koreans should ask for the assistance of these worldly and narrow-viewed latter-day disciples of Buddha. There will be enough to worry about in Korea for some time to come, and the sending out there these bonzes can only make the situation worse.

A PRAYER IN TIME OF WAR

Lord, teach us to pray. Teach us to enrich our gifts and make our work wise beyond our dim sight, by the blessing which comes to praying people. Hear thou the prayers of myriad hearts in

these distraught times of war; teach them to pray aright—rulers and statesmen, soldiers and distressed watchers of battles in the homes of many lands, men who face business emergencies, physicians and nurses ministering amid the carnage, and all who turn to thee in their trouble. Specially, we pray thee, continue thy wonderful upholding and guidance to the President of our country. Bring peace, O God, bring peace again, with righteousness and good will, for lack of which these days have come upon the world. Awake to new devotion all ministers and missionaries, all Thy people in whatever calling; and help us that from these days of outbreak, this disclosure of humanity's deep needs, we may arise to fresh zeal for the coming of thy Kingdom, through Jesus Christ, the Captain of our salvation. Amen.

BROTHERHOOD

Thread the days with sympathy,
The world needs heart—
So oft without the healing touch
We meet and part.
The tender word which cheers the life
We fail to say,
And carelessly through lack of thought
We spoil a day.

The tears and griefs of humankind
Make no appeal,
And burdens press them low, and yet
We do not feel
We live in such a busy age—
'Tis greed and grind—
That oft we lose the blessed art
Of being kind.

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THE BELOVED DEAD

Man was created in the likeness and image of God, and was given dominion over all the lower creation. Since that time man has been superior to the lower animals, and in no single instance are they alike, with one exception; and that is, that after death they are both consigned to earth burial. While this custom prevails at the present time, it was not always so. The ancient Hebrews resorted largely to entombment in sepulchres hewn out of the rock, or to other forms of burial above ground. The remains of ancient kings and other illustrious persons have with few exceptions been laid to rest in beautiful sepulchres. In our own day we have considered it unworthy of us to allow the remains of our Presidents and other great men to be buried in the earth, and

costly Mausoleums have been erected by public subscription as a token of the love and esteem of their fellow men. Surely our own beloved dead are worthy of equal care. The Endowed Compartment Mausoleum is a beautiful building. Its exterior is of stone, and the interior of pure white marble; well-lighted and ventilated, with roof construction of steel and concrete. It solves the problem. Think it over.

There are sweet surprises awaiting many a humble soul fighting against great odds in the battle of a seemingly commonplace life.—H. J. Van Dyke.

Know ye not that ye are the temples of God, and that such temples can be built only of the common stones that lie about us?—Charles Carroll Everett.



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RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear People:—

This month we hope to have our little Parish paper in your hands on Good Friday. So my message to you is one both of the suffering which the Church asks you to bear with your Crucified Lord, and also the joy which you are to show with your Risen Lord on Easter Day.

I am glad of the opportunity to say to you that you cannot thoroughly enjoy the notes of the Angelic Easter trumpet, unless you keep your watch about the Cross where your dear Lord was in mortal agony. And yet more of us always come to the Easter service than to the Good Friday services! We always prefer joy to sorrow! But even as devoted prayers are said about the beds of our dying friends, so ought we to gather about the Death-bed of the Cross of Jesus Christ.

We are ungrateful if we forget to do this in memory of Him Who died for us.

Another matter: Many of you prefer, and rightly, the 6.30 and 8.00 A. M. services on Easter Day. I am glad you like to seek your Risen Lord at the earliest possible moment.

But because you make your Communion so early, you must not omit to come at eleven o'clock to worship, to hear the lessons read, to listen to the sermon and the music. And chiefly, even, if you have been to the earlier services, remain at the close of the prayer for Christ's Church Militant, and remain until the Blessing has been pronounced. That will make you feel better; will obey the provisions of the Book of Common Prayer; and will make your Rector happy, to say nothing of the fact that you will hear some fine Easter music.

May all the blessings of the Risen Lord rest upon you!

Your Rector,

CLARENCE WYATT BISPHAM.

Holy Week, 1916.

THE RECORD wishes everyone a joyous Easter! It bids you look at the cover, which portrays one of the most important and wonderful appearances of the Risen Christ on the Walk to Emmaus. It harmonizes exactly with the thoughts contained in the beautiful poem within, by one of our own members. Both the picture and the poem and the article, "Unseen Guests", are from the generous hand of Miss Clara A. Willits. It is a rare thing in these days when we find a woman who can write so beautifully and correctly upon one of the greatest truths that the Church has to teach. "Unseen Guests" deserves a high place in Lay literature, concerning the Church of the Living God.

EASTER DAY MUSIC

Processional, Hymn 110
Christ Our Passover, Chant Barnby
Te Deum—Festival in E flat Dudley Buck
Jubilate Deo Dudley Buck
Introit, "Why seek ye the living among
the dead" E. J. Hopkins
Hymn 113
Offertory, "Break forth into joy" Barnby
Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnes Dei
Harvey Gaul
Gloria in Excelsis, Old Chant
Recessional, Hymn 121

BY WAY OF SUGGESTION

If any of our generous-hearted parishioners would like to make a large subscription payable over a series of three years, the proposition will be accepted. It is realized that there may be a number of people who would be happy to have this privilege accorded them of paying a large pledge in installments.

"More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

The daily use of the prayer written by our Rector, by all of our hundreds of communicants unitedly, could have but one re-

sult—the unqualified success of our efforts! Will you agree to use it faithfully each day?

PRAYER

O God, we beseech Thee, inspire these Thy servants who go about in this Parish with the important task laid upon them of the liquidation of the Church debt. Grant that they may have wisdom received from Thee; so that in their visitations all that they shall say to interest and convince us of our privilege to be a help, shall be done in obedience to Thy Divine will. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and grant that these journeys through the Parish shall be received in kindness, gentleness and a prompt co-operation; that this seventy-fifth anniversary may be crowned with success, and that the joy of work well done may dwell in all our hearts! Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BUT FEW DAYS

yet remain until our anniversary. We still confidently believe that there are many ladies and gentlemen in the congregation who are fully intendnig to take part in the inspiring and pleasant work of paying off the present debt of our Church. Please do not delay until the last minute. Think of the size of the job the Committee has on its hands, and lighten its work by indicating promptly the amount you are going to contribute.

We are receiving a number of large gifts, but we will need many more, if we hope to raise the whole \$6,000.

We *must* secure it all, and we are optimistic enough to believe we will.

WHERE?

All subscriptions to our Anniversary Fund should be sent to the chairman of the Committee, Edmund B. McCarthy, 1201 Chestnut Street.

Fellowship implies abiding in Christ.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LADIES' AID SOCIETY

The Ladies' Aid Society held eight regular meetings, from April 14, 1915, to March 8, 1916, inclusive. Average attendance, 14 members. We began our Fall and Winter work with sewing, taking one day each month, making garments for the needy poor of the Parish, and for the Door of Blessing. This sewing was continued during the Winter months. The last one held was on the first Monday in April, and good work was accomplished.

The Personal Effort money was handed in in May, and we had the grand total of \$292.00. In October, we voted a sum of money to be expended for china and placing the kitchen in excellent order; also, made an appropriation of \$75.00 towards the Red Hangings, also an appropriation of \$75.00 was given towards the new piano for the Sunday School.

A committee was formed for changing the by-laws, which were adopted by the Society in November.

The Ladies' Aid had a table of useful and fancy articles at the Convocation Bazaar; \$58.50 were realized, and handed to the Rector of St. George's Church.

A new sewing machine was purchased in January for the Benevolent Branch, and with its aid and the members who attended the one-day sewing in each month, many garments were made.

Four new members were added to the Society and one resignation sent in.

C. M. HEYL,
Recording Secretary.

From April, 1915, to April 1916, twenty-two letters have been written and sent out; ten letters of condolence having been sent to members of the Ladies' Aid, who have had sorrow in their immediate families; the others on business, and also sent in, thanking those who donated articles for

St. Phillip's table at the Convocation Fair, held in the early Fall.

Five hundred and two postals have been sent out to the members of the Ladies' Aid, with the notices on them of the monthly meetings; also of the one all-day sewing in each month.

M. W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

No longer talk at all about the kind of man that a good man ought to be, but be such.—Marcus Aurelius.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENT SECTION OF THE LADIES' AID SOCIETY

For the fiscal year ending April 12, 1916

Receipts

To balance on hand, April, 1915	\$ 27.18
To appropriation from Personal Effort	
Fund of the Ladies' Aid	75.00
To interest on bank balance .....	.85
To sale of towels, etc.	2.46
To donations from the Rector and members of the Ladies' Aid Society..	53.00
To appropriation from Ladies' Aid, for new sewing machine	23.04

\$181.53

Expenditures

By shoes and clothing	\$ 23.66
By Coal	45.60
By Christmas Dinners	15.17
By Christmas Donation	5.00
By Material for Sewing	9.89
By Singer Sewing Machine	23.04

122.36

Balance on hand

\$ 59.17

During the year we made forty aprons for the Convocation Bazaar. Thirty-one articles of clothing; nine roller towels; two layettes. We were aided in making these layettes by donations from the Philomusian Club and the Philadelphia Mothers' Club.

There were also collected and distributed partly-worn clothing, coats, sweaters, etc.

S. M. ZEBLEY.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT of LADIES' AID SOCIETY

April 12, 1916

Receipts

Cash on hand, April 14, 1915	\$135.64
Dues	46.00
Insurance	59.39
Collected	10.00
Goods Sold	6.76
Personal Effort	292.00
	\$549.79

Disbursements

Corresponding Secretary	\$ 5.78
Benevolent Section	95.71
Flowers for Sick	5.75
Repairing and painting kitchen	46.19
Silver, china and glass	103.42
Personal Effort Lunch	24.29
Supplies, Medicine Chest .....	.60
Convocation Bazaar	10.00
Piano Fund	75.00
Missionary's Cassock	12.50
Sewing Machine	23.04
Printing Constitution and By-Laws	8.50
Balance, cash on hand, April 12, 1916....	139.01
	\$549.79

THE PARISH DINNER

Remember that on Thursday, May 4, 1916, it will take place.

This Congregational Dinner is the first of the kind in the history of the Parish.

All members of the congregation are earnestly asked to participate and help to make it a success.

Send in your subscriptions now, as the list will be closed on April 27.

Good menu. Good music. Good speakers. Tickets, \$1.00 for each person, can be paid for to Mr. F. M. Hutchinson, 4700 Springfield Avenue, or any other member of the Committee.

Hold fast Christ, but take his cross and himself cheerfully. Christ and his cross are not separate in this life, however they part at heaven's door.—Samuel Rutherford.

UNSEEN GUESTS

By Clara Amy Willits

When we come into the Temple of the Lord on Easter morning, it shall be with hearts filled with joy and gratitude! Christ has risen! Christ has triumphed gloriously! Christ, the "first fruits of them that sleep", suffered grievously; but has burst the bonds which held Him; has come forth from the cold, dark tomb; has forever conquered death and hell, and "goes before us" as an victorious Lord, a mighty Victor strong to save. Out of the suffering has come triumph; out of the agony borne all for us, the victory which gives to us the right of sons to claim the promise of eternal life. And as we lift grateful hearts to Him, the Paschal Lamb, offered without spot of sin for us—we gaze upon the Altar where, instead of the "blood of hills and of goats" are placed the bread and wine which He commanded to be received "in remembrance of Me." And there, rising above all the pure, sweet, Easter lilies, breathing incense to the Risen King, and in very loving memory of those whom we cannot see, with our mortal eyes, yet who are certainly with us in spirit. "I believe in the communion of saints," means to us still in the Church Militant that at all times the spirits of "these departed this life in Thy faith and fear" are near us, especially in Thy Church. Who of us has not felt their blessed influence guiding, directing, helping us? At the Holy Sacrament, we know we are nearer to them, and they to us, than at any time. "Draw near with faith" to the altar of our Risen Lord, and the flowers in all their purity commemorate those "whom yet unseen, we love." Be very sure the beautiful "memory flowers" will indeed cause us to "lift up our hearts" to receive a blessing which will abide with us all through this Easter-tide.

The veil between us and the Land of the Beautiful Beyond is so slight that could we but lift it, we would surely be satisfied

that all is well with our dear ones in Paradise. So let the Easter lilies say to you and me:

They are not dead—the ones we loved so dear.
Christ has them in His keeping, safe and well.

Our Guardian Angels, He will let them here
To lead us Home where they with Him now dwell.

From o'er the sea of silence voices come—
We hear them whisper that they love us yet;
Dear tender hands stretch out to draw us near,
Hearts loyal say they never will forget!

Love is immortal, infinite, sublime—
It conquers death and rises o'er all fears!
Soul-love will span eternity, reach out;
And changeless live thro' all the changing years.

Easter lilies, holy, pure and white,
Breathe incense like a prayer for us to-day;
Then lift your hearts in loving memory,
To those blest saints who lead us on our way.

Easter, 1916.

RUMMAGE SALE

The members of the Mothers Meeting want to hold a "Rummage Sale" on the evening of April 25.

Second-hand clothing, furniture, pictures, bric-a-brac, etc., will be thankfully received. All articles may be left at the Parish House, in care of the Sexton, before or on the morning of April 25, between the hours of nine and ten.

ELECTION OF VESTRYMEN

This comes from a large number of the clergy who are interested in the Christian democracy of the Church.

The Protestant Episcopal Church, when it was constituted, was planned to be a Church which should conform to America's ideals for her institutions. It was intended to be as democratic as the United States Government was intended to be.

As the democracy of the National

Government has been thwarted by the indifference of the people on the one hand, and by the corrupt practices of selfish politicians on the other hand, and "invisible government" has become a menace to the State; so, through the indifference of careless communicants, and the short-sighted policy of clerical and lay officials, the democracy of the Church has become obscured and practically suspended to an alarming extent.

Take, for example, the matter of the election of vestrymen. The charters of most Parishes provide for the election of vestrymen by the active communicants and supporters of the Parish. Yet we all know that the general rule of such elections is that they are carried by the vestrymen voting for themselves or by the voting of an absurdly small proportion of those who are entitled to vote. While we do not think that this condition has been deliberately planned and continued through corrupt practices, nevertheless, the effect upon the people as individuals and upon the Church as an institution is decidedly bad.

The officials of our Parishes, more especially the clergy, are chiefly responsible for this condition. The mere formal announcement on Easter Day of the annual election of vestrymen to be held on Monday in Easter-week is not sufficient. It is not enough simply to give the people a chance to come and vote if they choose to do so; but they should be urged to a realization of their democratic privilege and responsibility in this important matter.

In most Parishes it would be quite possible to have a real annual gathering of the congregation if the officials and leaders were determined to urge the people to attend and make them feel that their presence is actually desired.

Sometimes the officials hesitate to encourage a Parish meeting because they fear that it might develop into a Parish quarrel. But in the few cases where there have been

such Parish quarrels, they have developed because the voice of the people had not been heard in the conduct of their affairs.

Where it is customary to hold an annual Parish meeting, with an attendance of all or most of the supporters of the Parish, reports of the various Parish activities, a frank discussion of the financial condition of the Parish, and the choosing by ballot of vestrymen to serve the Parish, the effect upon the whole life of the Parish has usually proven to be most wholesome. The people are thus made to feel that they have a stake in the government of the Parish, and their loyalty to all its interests is assured.

Will you not try to have a real Parish meeting in your Parish this year, and so put into practice the democratic ideals of the Protestant Episcopal Church?

J. P. MORRIS, *President*.
N. B. GROTON, *Secretary*.
William R. Turner,
George Copeland,
H. S. Paynter,
Committee.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURES

Under the auspices of the Church School, on Friday evening, March 31, Charles E. Beury, Esq., gave a very interesting Travelogue in the Parish House, showing scenes in Canada, California, and Mexico, together with a very interesting talk on existing conditions in Mexico.

On Good Friday evening, an illustrated lecture will be given in the Parish House, on Scenes from the Life of Christ, by Mr. George H. Streaker. It is hoped the scholars and congregation will attend.

FIRESIDE MEETING

On Monday evening, March 31, Mr. Robert J. Bennett entertained the members of the Men's Association at a Fireside Meeting, in his home, 259 S. Melville

Street, when a very enjoyable evening was spent, a goodly number of the members were present, to partake of Mr. Bennett's hospitality.

STATEMENT, CAKE AND CANDY SALE

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH SCHOOL

March 3, 1916

Receipts

Beginners Department:	
Sale of tickets	\$ 6.00
One-half proceeds Candy Table	10.97
	————— \$ 16.97
Primary Department:	
Sale of tickets	\$17.71
One-half proceeds Candy Table	10.97
Contribution	9.00
	————— 37.72
Junior Department:	
Sale of tickets	\$33.70
Cake Table	20.22
	————— 53.92
Senior Department:	
Sale of tickets	\$17.00
Ice Cream	1.35
	————— 18.35
Bible Class	8.25
Congregation	19.50
	————— \$154.71
Expenses	33.68
	————— \$121.03
Balance	\$121.03

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

If you have not already done so, please send in at once your acceptance for the Parish Dinner, to be given on Thursday evening, May 4. The time is growing short, and the committee must know how many are coming, that they may be able to provide for them. All the members of the Parish are wanted. Please mail your acceptance *to-day* to Mr. Francis M. Hutchinson, chairman, 4700 Springfield Avenue. This will be a red-letter event in the history of the Parish. *Come*.

LEAGUE OF CHURCH PARENTS

A preliminary meeting was held in the Parish House, on the evening of March 21, with a view to organizing the League of Church Parents, an organization similar in scope to that of the Home and School League, in the secular schools. This meeting was well attended, and at it a Committee on Permanent Organization, consisting of Mrs. John Loman, Mrs. King, Mrs. H. D. Mackenzie, Miss M. Bement, and Fred W. Ripley, was appointed to prepare a Constitution and arrange for a permanent organization.

An organization meeting was held in the Parish House on Tuesday evening, April 11, when a constitution was adopted and officers were elected. The following being elected: President, Ira D. Garman; Vice President, E. Tracy Tobin; Executive Secretary, H. Darrach Mackenzie; Treasurer, Mrs. Charles I. Purnell; Assistant Treasurer, Miss M. Bement; Executive Committee, Mrs. H. McKnight Moore, Mrs. John Loman, Mrs. E. Tracy Tobin, Charles I. Purnell, and John H. Zebley.

At this meeting, the Rev. Frederick Gardiner, Provincial Secretary of the Board of Religious Education, spoke and gave some very helpful suggestions, as to how such an organization could be of great help to the school, the child, the parent, and the Church. The Rector also spoke at both meetings, warmly commending the proposed work of the League.

The following Standing Committees were appointed: Membership—Mrs. King, Mrs. C. A. E. Codman, Mrs. Richard P. Powell, Mrs. George W. Witte, and Mrs. T. B. Holloway. Library—Miss Richards, Mrs. C. W. Bisham, and Mrs. Boyd.

The League is for both parents, fathers and mothers. The dues are twenty-five cents a year each. It is earnestly desired that the parents of all the scholars in the Church School will become members.

The meetings were well attended.

THE CHANCEL SOCIETY

The Junior members of the Chancel Society gave a novelty party, to raise money to complete the set of White Hangings. They were successful in making enough money to finish the burse and veil. The stole was presented by Mrs. Moore, as a memorial to her husband.

On each Thursday afternoon during Lent, the girls have been sewing at the home of the President, hemming Altar linen, and helping to make cottas for the choir. Mrs. Godfrey took the responsibility of cutting out, and directing the making of the sixteen cottas. Some of them were made at home by the members of the choir.

The stole, burse and veil will be used, and the cottas worn, on Easter Day.

L. A. LAMMERTZ, *Secretary*.

"Never accept failure as a final result," was a favorite saying of the Duke of Wellington.

THAT WHICH CANNOT BE TAKEN AWAY

When the soldiers cast lots for Jesus' garment, why did they not do so for his goodness and wisdom and gentleness? Because such things are not detachable, nor transferable. His garment was a thing material, made by hand. It could be taken away and destroyed by hand. The character of Jesus was not a thing. It was spiritual, woven of ideas, choices, emotions, victories. It was vital, not material; it was spiritual, indestructible. Men took everything that Jesus had, his liberty, his legal rights, his physical beauty, his reputation, his life—but they could not take away what he was. Even on the cross he proved his infinite love in the thought for his mother, in opening the kingdom of heaven to that first believer, in praying for the men who crucified him. Without power or friends or money, or even a garment, the

centurion cried out, "Truly this man is the Son of God!" So the real values of life are internal, not external; and what counts with God—and sooner or later with men—is, not what a man has, but what he is.—Maltbie D. Babcock.

SLACKERS

The following is a portion of an editorial in a recent number of *The Continent*. We are glad its application is to so few of our membership when called upon for self-sacrificing pledges for finances or services:

"When the recruiting agents were visiting British towns, the slackers failed to enlist, not so much because they were unwilling, but because they couldn't. That is what made compulsion necessary.

"The summons of the recruiting officer is a summons to decide something. But the slacker has drifted along through the world without making decisions; he has always evaded when decision was in order. At length, decisiveness becomes impossible.

"Precisely thus it is with Christian men. The member of the church who has taken his church membership nominally, and from year to year has never tried to gird on himself God's soldier armor, finds in time of test that he can't support the weight of helmet, breastplate, and buckler that the Lord furnishes.

"When a man for many years has sneaked sinuously through the world, avoiding obligation, declining to brace up to responsibility, the slacker's habit gets so fastened on his character that there is no chance for him ever to be anything but a slacker.

"And anywhere, in city and village and country, the church is but half victorious or wholly beaten, because its array of duty-doers is so small and the discouraging company of the slackers is so large.

"The Christians who come heartily to the Lord's help are a scant few; the many fail of nerve to throw themselves into the conflict."

Christianity is a life of loving self-denial and service.



As Christ arose, so we will rise
To take our everlasting prize,
With angels bright we'll soar above,
Inspired with wonder, praise and love.

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

THE PARISH DIRECTORY

THE SERVICES

Sundays 8 and 11 A. M.; 8 P. M.
The Holy Communion Sundays, 8.00 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Thursdays and Saint's Days 9.30 A. M.

NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.

Those who wish to become members of the parish are asked to send their names and addresses to the Rector. Applications for pews or settings should be made to the Accounting Warden, J. H. Zebley.

Parishioners are asked to send prompt notice of change of residence.

The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for baptisms, marriages, or funerals.

PAROCHIAL ORGANIZATION

The Rector—REV. CLARENCE WYATT BISPHAM

Lay Reader—CHARLES C. KINNEY

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Rector's Warden, Major M. Veale,
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Residence, 218 S. 45th Street

VESTRYMEN

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Charles T. Robinson	Ira D. Garman

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Vice-President, Mrs. Eugene P. Coho
Corresponding Secretary, Miss Harper
Recording Secretary, Mrs. Wm. G. Heyl
Treasurer, Miss Bussom, The Covington
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Chancel Society

President, Mrs. Edward H. Williamson, Jr.
Secretary, Mrs. S. Herbert Ferree
Treasurer, Miss Helen Williams
Meets first Thursday of each month

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Vice-President, Mrs. Wm. H. Boyd
Secretary, Mrs. John Loman
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Mothers' Meeting

In charge of Miss Ashburner.
Meets every Tuesday evening, at 8 P. M.

Men's Association

President, Francis M. Hutchinson
Vice President, Eugene P. Coho
Secretary, E. Tracy Tobin
Treasurer, Lee S. Harris
Meets first Wednesday in month

Young Men's Association

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Vice-President, John H. Zebley, Jr.
Secretary, Alfred Cluley
Treasurer, John Wilson, Jr.
Meets third Wednesday in month

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

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Meets second Friday in month

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Executive Committee.—Mrs. H. McKnight Moore, Mrs. John Loman, Mrs. E. Tracy Tobin, Charles I. Purnell and John H. Zebley.
Stated Meetings, April, October, December, February.

THE LAME MAN HEALED

Outside the Temple's Beautiful Gate
Lay a man with crippled feet,
Asking alms from the passers-by
In the name of charity sweet.

Strong, friendly hands had brought him there,
Loving and kind were they,
As they laid him down at the Temple gate,
So faithfully, day by day.

On one fair morning they left him there,
And quietly went their way,
Oh! little they dreamed of the wonderful gift
That was coming to him that day.

Among the crowds that passed that way
Came two of lowly mien,
Earnest, true-hearted followers, they,
Of Jesus the Nazarene.

They looked on the man with pitying eyes,
And before they uttered a word,
This poor, enfeebled, crippled soul,
With strange new hope was stirred.

"Money we have not," they gently said,
"But that which we have we will give,
In the name of Jesus of Nazareth,
Arise, and a new life live."

Oh, marvelous gift of the "Spirit's Power",
By a word and a look he is healed,
New life is coursing through every vein,
And a wonderful joy is revealed.

No longer a feeble and crippled soul,
No longer outside to wait;
For "walking and leaping and praising God"
He enters the Temple gate.

Dear Father above, we would draw nigh
to-day

To Thee, at the blest mercy-seat,
We bring Thee our hopes and our crippled
desires,
And lay them all down at Thy feet.

Help us, we pray, with the clear eyes of faith,
This wonderful lesson to read;
That right in Thine own chosen hour and
way,

Thou wilt give just the blessing we need.

Oh, help us to watch and work and pray,
And ever with patience to wait,
E'en though the blessing we may not see,
Till we enter the "Beautiful Gate".

—Isabel Small.

GROWTH THE PROOF OF LIFE

Growth in grace is the evidence of Christian life. The presence of inward spiritual life implies and secures growth in outward Christian acts. Dead trees do not grow. Living trees must grow or soon cease to be living trees. Leaf, blossom and flower are the certain outcome of life in root and branch. The godly man is compared to a tree that "bringeth forth fruit in its season" and to a tree that "spreadeth out her roots by the river, neither shall cease from yielding fruit." He shall flourish like the palm, and grow like the cedar in Lebanon. If we do not grow in this way we have but a weak and sickly life, if we have life at all.

The other day, when visiting Niagara Falls, we were shown through one of those wonderful power houses. Our friend and the guide, explained to us, as they took us about, something of the process by which that mighty volume of water was being harnessed. At last they took us into a large room in which were many strange-looking machines. There was not a person to be seen at work. There was scarcely a sound to be heard. "This is the still-room," explained the guide. "This is the center of the whole thing; the whole process hinges on what is done here." So it is in our lives. If my life, if your life, is going to be the wonderful power-house it should be—that God meant it to be—it must have a still-room—some time in which to be alone, to be quiet.—Achsa I. McDowell.

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BIRDS

Why should we be very careful of the birds, and protect them from harm? Answer, because they destroy the insects in large numbers, which greatly injure our fruit trees, shade trees, flowers, grain and garden products. The quail, turkeys, and rose-breasted grosbeaks are the only birds which eat potato bugs. Many farmers plant buckwheat, just to entice the quail for protection of their potato crop.

All thrushes, the bluebird, and robin eat the bodies and larvae of beetles. An examination of 400 stomachs of robins showed that their food comprised 40 per cent insects, 43 per cent wild fruit and seeds, 5 per cent miscellaneous vegetable matter, 4 per cent unidentified, and 8 per cent cultivated fruit. That 8 per cent is their commission for the good work they do for us. Warblers eat insects. The Flicker eats ants. The ants feed upon the milk of the aphid, which in turn devours the leaves of valuable plants. In the fall, the ants take the larvae of the aphidea into their homes, and bring them out again in the spring. That is how the flicker saves our rose bushes and other plants.

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The cuckoo and oriole eat hairy caterpillars. The nighthawk, humming bird, whip-poor-will, swallow, fly catcher, phoebe and pewee, eat insects which they catch as they fly.

This and much more interesting information is found in a pamphlet issued at Harrisburg by our State.

"There is so much good in the worst of us, and so much bad in the best of us, that it ill behooves any of us to talk about the rest of us."—STEVENSON.

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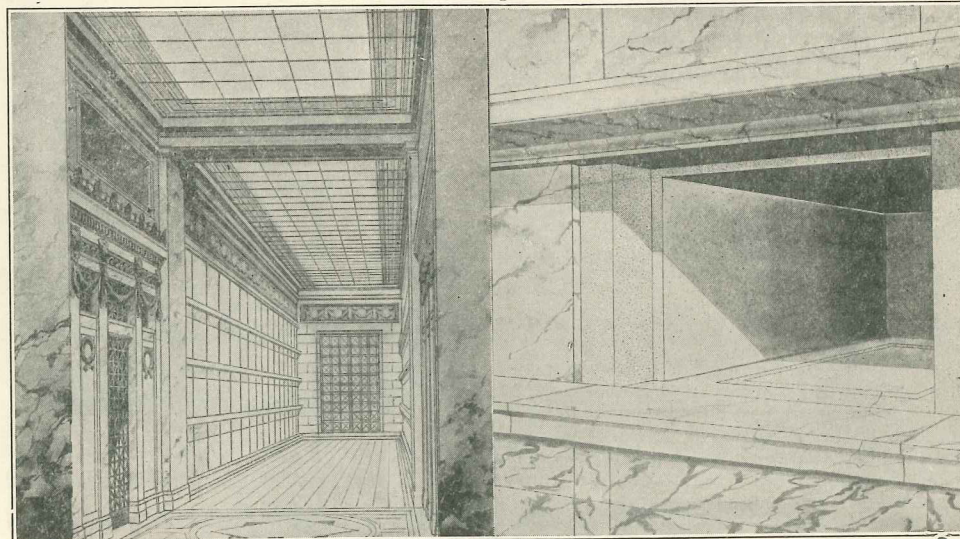
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WHAT IS YOUR SUPREME AMBITION?

The Apostle Paul was an epoch-making man. Living in an age of crisis and revolution he might have turned his ambitions into almost any channel with the promise of extraordinary success. With superb natural abilities, the best educational equipment, the keenest appreciation of world problems, the most marvelous power of self-control and self-direction, the ability to deny and sacrifice himself, this man might have carved out for himself the highest human destiny. He chose the rather to lay every desire, every longing, every aspiration, every ambition at the feet of Jesus Christ, whom he had voluntarily chosen as his Lord. He expressed the supreme ambition of his soul in this ejaculatory prayer:

"But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world." Let us decide the end for which we live, the goal toward which we are running, and all auxiliary questions can be settled in the light of this supreme purpose. Paul's supreme ambition was for the glory of Jesus Christ, and this supreme ambition solved for him all the questions of his life, becoming at once the standard and corrective of his desires and ambitions.

Shake the hand of the stranger cordially and welcome him. Tell him you are glad to see him, and ask him to come again. Ask him to meet the Pastor. Introduce him to some of the folks. He will come again.



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SERVICES DURING THE SUMMER

The Rev. Fletcher Clarke will be in charge of the Parish during July and August. The Rector will return on September 3.

Evening Prayer will be omitted after Trinity Sunday until September 10. The Holy Communion, at eight o'clock Sundays, and Morning Prayer at eleven o'clock, will be said throughout the summer.

Mr. Clarke will respond to all calls made at the Church between nine and ten o'clock on week-days. The Rector will be too far away to respond to any calls.

THE HOLY BIBLE

used now at the Lectern was given to the Vestry by the Infant School of the Parish in 1881, when the Church was situated at Broad and Spring Garden Streets. When the Parish came to Baltimore Avenue and Forty-second Street, the Bible was carefully put away by Mrs. Townsend Willits, and was found only last month by her daughter, Miss Willits, who presented it again to the Vestry, together with an old Prayer Book, dated 1849, and used in the old St. Philip's Building at Franklin and Vine Streets.

The copy of the Bible is in almost as good condition as when it was bought in 1881. Only one little indication of age — the marker that was in the Bible came to pieces when it was changed from one page to another. May this copy remain many years to be read, marked, learned, and inwardly digested by those who hear the Holy Writ of God!

PREPAREDNESS

Save the Child

FOR A SAFE AND SANE FOURTH

We all believe in preparedness of some kind; if you have attended any of the Kingsessing Safe and Sane Fourth of July celebrations, during the past few years, you will agree that to be prepared is worth while; we have not only had a good time with the boys and girls, but we have had no deaths or accidents in our section to personal property in that time.

The Kingsessing Section of the Safe and Sane Fourth of July Association announce they have this year, as usual, an all-day celebration, on the coming Fourth of July. The children of the various schools and Church schools in this neighborhood will assemble at Forty-third Street and Chester Avenue, on July 4th, at 9.00 A. M., where the girls will be given parasols and the boys caps, and everybody flags, and form in procession, headed by a band, proceed to the Kingsessing Recreation Grounds, at Forty-ninth Street and Chester Avenue, where appropriate exercises and drills will be held. In the evening, exercises and supervised fireworks in Clark Park. All the children of St. Philip's Church School are invited to take part. Why cannot they form a section? The estimated cost is

about \$1,000, which will be raised by voluntary subscription. The city contributes no part. Subscriptions of from ten cents to one dollar are requested. Give as liberally as you can.

Payments for the Church School may be made to the Rector, Superintendent of the School, or Mr. Ira D. Garman, all of whom are members of the Executive Committee.

Parents are reminded that times change and we change with them. The old manner of celebrating the Fourth of July exacted an annual toll of deaths, the new way shows just as true Americanism, in fact, patriotism of a higher order, not fashioned after China or the Orient, and truly makes for a better celebration. It inspires and teaches patriotism and reverence for the Flag and our Country.

In 1908, the Fourth of July caused 5,623 deaths that are directly accounted for, how many more we do not know, as against less than 1,200 last year. Let us work to still lower this number, and at the same time increase the spirit of love of country and patriotism in the hearts of the children.

Show your interest by assisting the committee to prepare for the coming celebration by your presence and contribution.

PROGRAM

9.00 A. M. to 12.00 Noon—Music, parade, drills, and base ball. Kingessing Recreation Centre.

2.00 to 5.00 P. M.—Band concert, Camp-Fire Girls.

Clarence H. Clark Park.
Sports and Games, Boy Scouts, Base Ball
Kingessing Recreation Centre.

7.00 P. M. to 9.45 P. M.—Patriotic Songs and Addresses, Fireworks, supervised
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Parade starts from Forty-third Street and
Chester Avenue, 9.00 A. M.

Bring your parents and have a jolly
Fourth.

Prizes awarded winners in sports and games.

Prizes awarded for best Patriotic costumes.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

The annual Strawberry Festival of the Church School was held in the Parish House on Friday evening, June 2, from five until ten o'clock, and was one of the best-attended given in the Parish.

At eight o'clock, the following program, which had been arranged by Miss Sophy Bispham, was most admirably carried out:

Lullaby—"Roockin' in de Win'

Junior members of the Church School
Glee Club—"Spring Lilt"

Senior members of the Church School
Irish Play—"The Workhouse Ward"

By Messrs. Purnell and Eyles and
Mrs. Harvey

Interpretation by Mrs. Purnell.
Greeting from the "National Service
School" at Chevy Chase

Mrs. Clarence Wyatt Bispham
Solo

By Miss Margaretta Bispham

Dancing followed, and every one went home, feeling satisfied and realizing that they had had a good time. The Superintendent takes this opportunity to extend to the teachers, scholars, and their friends his most cordial thanks for the splendid services and patronage. The net receipts will amount to over \$60.00.

MEN'S ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Men's Association was held in the Parish House on Wednesday evening, May 31. Routine business was transacted. Mr. Hutchinson, the President, and chairman of the Congregational Dinner Committee, reported 639 invitations issued for the dinner, with 582 acceptances. Total expenses, \$227.35, leaving

a deficit of \$30.35, which was assumed by the Association.

The Treasurer, Mr. Harris, reported the receipts for the year ending May 1, to have been \$86.91; expenditures of \$85.72; cash on hand, \$1.19; dues unpaid, \$14; liabilities, \$15.35.

The following officers were unanimously re-elected:

President, Francis M. Hutchinson.

Vice President, E. P. Coho.

Secretary, E. T. Tobin.

Treasurer, Lee S. Harris.

A unanimous vote of thanks was extended Mr. Hutchinson for the very capable and satisfactory manner in which he managed the Congregational Dinner; also a vote of thanks was extended to the members of the Association, Messrs. Hutchinson, Kinney and Bennett, who had so generously entertained the Fireside Club during the past season.

GRADUATION EXERCISES, CHURCH SCHOOL

The closing exercises of the Church School were held on Sunday, June 11, at three o'clock, in the Church, and were conducted by the Rector, Mr. Bispham. A large number of the scholars and their parents were in attendance, and the commencement was one of the most helpful, enjoyable and successful in the history of the Parish. Being Whitsunday, a very pretty effect was produced by all the scholars carrying with them red carnations as they marched into Church.

Following the usual custom of the graduating class making a gift, the Junior Department was presented with a handsomely framed picture of the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. William Mercer Rhineland, D.D., LL.D.

The order of exercises follow:

Processional Hymn—136

Sentences

Lord's Prayer (chanted)

Selection of Psalms
Lesson

Magnificat (chanted)

Creed (chanted)

Versicles (chanted)

Collects

Beginners' Department

"In the beginning, God"

Primary Department

"The Wonderful Book"

Junior Department

Reading of essays on "Christian Service"
by scholars of the Juniors Department

Hymn 375

Address by the Rector

Promotion

Address by the Superintendent

Award of diplomas by the Rector

Commendation by the Rector for Perfect
Church School and Perfect Church attendance

Offering Hymn 133

The scholars were welcomed into their new departments as follows: By Mrs. Clarence Wyatt Bispham from the Beginners into the Primary; by Mrs. John Loman, from the Primary into the Junior Department; and by the Superintendent, Mr. Tobin, from the Junior into the Senior Department. Diplomas were then awarded by the Rector to the graduates, who were:

Beginners' Department to Primary Department: Marion Barclay, Charles Barclay, William Potter Davis, 3rd, William P. Hearn, Frederick Hipple, Nicholas Lloyd, Hobart Lewis, Thomas Maxwell, Nancy Miller, Florence E. McAdow, John McCurdy, Howard Tozar, Dorothy A. Wallace.

Primary Department to Junior Department: Gordon Bullock, Louis Collum, Nuadine Frazier, Sheppard Johnson, Chester Lennox, Lawrence S. Moore, Louise Pearce, Dorothy Richardson, Norman Shumway, Margaret Sharp, Violet Edith Tobin.

Junior Department to Senior Department: Archie W. Culin, Florence Codman,

Elizabeth Dallett, Elizabeth Field, Eleanor Graves, Lee S. Harris, Jr., Marion Lukens, Marshall Lennox, Dorothy Miller, Forrest Nyman, Francis J. Pryor, 3rd, Alfred Truitt.

Following which these scholars were commended by the Rector for—

PERFECT CHURCH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

One year: Vioelt Edith Tobin.

Two years: Mary Wagner.

Three years: Louise Johnson, Florence Purnell, Frances Schermerhorn.

Four years: Mary Purnell.

Five years: Helen Boyd.

PERFECT CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Mary Purnell,

Florence Purnell.

The sessions of the Church School will be resumed on the second Sunday in September, being September 10, when it is earnestly hoped all the old scholars and teachers will be found in attendance, as well as many new ones.

The Rector and Superintendent both wish all a very enjoyable and helpful vacation.

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

E. D. MCCARTHY, Treasurer

Receipts

May 24, 1915, balance on hand	\$ 1.14
Collections	101.75
Specials	260.70

Expenditures

Domestic	\$268.03
Indian Work	12.00
Diocesan	39.00
Foreign	11.00
Colored Work	29.00
Cash on hand	4.56
	\$363.59
Balance on hand, May 29, 1916	\$4.56

A cordial invitation is extended to strangers to visit our Church and Sunday School.

THE LADIES' AID SOCIETY

The last meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society for this season was held in the Parish House on May 17, with twenty-one members present. The work for the coming winter was planned, and it was decided to continue the one all-day sewing in each month, under the care of the Benevolent Branch, in working for the needy poor. Also to have a Bazaar, for the sale of useful and fancy articles, to be held in the early part of November, and to continue for two days, and we ask the help of every woman in the Parish by making for it at least two articles during the summer.

This meeting was a most interesting one, as all money made by "The Personal Effort" was brought in, and a nice sum it was, for over \$200 was raised by the work of the members; and added to the money in our treasury. This amount was most gratifying, for at this same time the money was also being raised to pay off the indebtedness on the Church.

M. W. HARPER, Cor. Sec.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY

The final meeting of the Junior Auxiliary for the season was held on the last Monday in May. The Rector was present, opened the meeting with prayer, and gave us a few words of inspiration and encouragement.

Following the Secretary's annual report, it was announced that the proceeds of the mystery play amounted to over \$25.00, bringing the total of our offering to General Missions to over \$30.00 for this year.

The retiring officers were given a unanimous vote of thanks by the meeting. The annual elections were then held, resulting as follows:

President, Doris Bailey.

Vice President, Mary Purnell.

Secretary, Jane F. Hill.

Treasurer, Florence Purnell.

The members were asked to make at least one article during the summer for the Christmas box, and, above all, to commit to memory, and use faithfully, the *Junior Collect*. After a short explanation, all joined in repeating the Collect, and the meeting closed with the singing of a hymn.

"PAY ME THAT THOU OWEST"

BY CLARA AMY WILLITS

The tale is of an Eastern king. Despot in rule, absolute in power, he could—at will—sell his servants, their wives and little ones—anything and everything they possessed—if it so pleased him, for a whim, or to make himself the richer by so doing.

This king had one follower, evidently in high favor, for he had placed to his credit, or loaned him, ten thousand talents, which in our money would be \$14,400,000. To a man of to-day this would be a fortune to place him in the ranks of what the world calls mighty men. A king who could do this for one of his subjects must be a powerful ruler.

One day, perhaps fearing all was not well with the finances of his servant, he called for an account to be rendered him. Then the fortune entrusted to his favorite was found to be gone! So the king commanded him, his family, and all that he had, to be sold, "and payment to be made."

There was but one course open to the debtor—one thing to do—and he did it. Casting himself at the feet of his king, he pleaded for mercy, saying, "Have pity on me, and I will pay thee all." His life, his family, his future, all depended upon the answer of his lord and king. When it came, how great must have been the relief. The king looked on him, had compassion, kissed him, and forgave him the debt. Out of the great pity extended to him, the relief from the awful tension of what he had dreaded, the torment of facing utter ruin, one would think he would in like manner be wonderfully pitiful and helpful to all

who turned to him for charity or assistance. Surely mercy so great would make him merciful to others.

A little later one of his fellow-servants came and told him he could not pay him a debt of one hundred pence—or fifteen dollars—begging him to have patience with him until he could have time to raise the money. Forgetting the great and wonderful thing done for him, he took his companion by the throat, saying, "Pay me that thou owest!" And still merciless, cast him into prison, until full payment should be made! Little wonder that the king, when he heard of this, should in wrath have delivered up his favorite to meet the full penalty he deserved.

We say such a thing could not happen in this day and age—it is incredible, impossible. And yet—is it? Each day we live, we see the evidence of gross ingratitude in our very midst. Men amass great fortunes, build up wonderful reputations, gain prominence in professions, power in the world of finance. They reach the pinnacle of their hopes, aspirations, highest ambitions, and forget the Power which alone enabled to do this. That Power holds supreme the reigns of government, and says to each one, "Can'st thou not show compassion in thy fellow servants, even as I have shown mercy unto thee?" God alone gives talent, wisdom, courage, ability to accomplish the great things in life. To Him alone must each of us render account of our stewardship.

If some special blessing is granted, that blessing is to be shared with less fortunate ones who need it. If great treasure be gained, a portion of that treasure at least is due to those in want. If in some sorrow or lonesomeness, a sweet and beautiful gift—even of a child—be sent to lighten the gloom like a veritable sunbeam, the life so blessed by a pitying Father should not take to its heart and home this gift so lovingly sent, and selfishly shut out one in loneliness, refusing to share the sunshine and

brightness with one needing love and longing for comfort and help! "Pay me that thou owest." is harsh, and we shrink from it! Yet all of us have some great mercy bestowed upon us which should make us merciful to those whose hands are stretched out in pleading for a share of our rich bounty.

Someone, somewhere, is waiting for our gleams of sunshine. Let us take care we do not bask in the rays, and cause a shadow to fall upon those who need the warmth and brightness perchance more than we do. To our fellow brothers and sisters let us show mercy even as our King has shown it to us!

God gives you riches? Then try to make
Some poor lives brighter, better!
God gives you power? Then ease some ache
By act, or word, or letter!
Some souls struggling hard to be true,
Need help and courage, yes, they do—
Don't let them look in vain to you,
For words you fail to utter?

God gives you health? Then give it with
A greeting, a word of cheer,
A kind handclasp, a hearty laugh,
Will banish care and fear.
You know from weary and dull and sad.
You can change a day to helpful and glad,
For love will conquer when things are bad,
And dry the falling tear.

Don't you know that the best you give
Comes back again to you?
Don't you know if you try to live
Honest and straight and true—
You will spread God's sunshine everywhere
For the help you give will banish care,
And His world be very sweet and fair,
And all because of you!

June 10, 1916.

Ecclesiastical
Memorials.

HOLLINGSWORTH PEARCE
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THE REFUGE

BY CLARA AMY WILLITS

She was just a wee thing—curls tossing in
glee,
And all the day long so busy was she!
Dressing dolls—keeping house—doing every-
thing quite
"Like muvver does fings"—until it is night!
Then it's "Cuddle down comfy" and "Sleepy
Tale Time",
While up in dear "muvver's" lap she will
climb,
Most wonderful stories to hear—or repeat—
With goblins so dreadful, or fairies so
sweet—
All about princes, fierce lions, big bears!
But be the tale good or quite bad that she
hears,
There's only one ending—she will have her
way—
With a nod of her head this is what she will
say:
"An' nen him runned home to him Muvver!"
We are children grown taller and wiser with
years,
Yet we all paint the Future too rosy for
tears!
We see golden visions of what it will bring—
The lad sees his princess, the lassie her king!
We fancy we'll win in the struggle and strife,
And some of us gain the rich treasures of
life;
We build our dream-palace in country or
town,
But our "Castles in Spain" all come tumbling
down!
We wake an' dwe wonder, we ponder and
sigh—
Is this the great goal we have reached "bye
and bye"?
Then our hearts yearn for home and for
"muvver" again,
And we say, like the child, tho' we're women
and men,
"An' nen him runned home to him Muvver!"
The days seem to shorten, the nights longer
grow,
First life is all sunshine, but then comes the
glow
Of sunset—when only the real things are
true—
And friends all the dearer because they are
few!
Our courage grows less to do great things!
We rest—

GOD, OPEN OUR EYES!

Evangelist Wharton saw a man on a train so nervous and anxious, restless in his seat, getting up and gazing from window to window, that he had to ask him, "What is the trouble? Anything I can do for you?" The man said:

"I've been to Cincinnati; a great oculist has operated on my eyes. I never saw my wife, or either of my four children. I was born blind. The next station is my town; they will all be there to see me."

Mr. Wharton watched him alight—saw a woman approach, and throw her arms about him, and four youngsters crowding near for a kiss of greeting. Above all the racket incident to the arrival of the train he heard the stranger, looking skyward, say, "Thank God! I can see, can see my wife and my babies!"

May the Great Oculist grant to "open the eyes of the blind" that they may see and cry, "Whereas I was blind, now I can see, can see my father, my brother, my brethren and my sisters."

We want love and friendship—for they seem
the best;
We turn to each other for help, smiles, and
cheer,
Our dear ones grow dearer with each passing
year.
The head-stones grow thicker along life's
pathway.
We yearn for our Home at the close of the
day!
As the child to his mother, we turn with
life's tide,
And hear, as our barks toward the true Haven
glide,
"An' nen him runned home to him Muvver!"
June 10, 1916.

THE SOUL-WINNER'S WEAPON

God's pre-eminent method in soul-winning is his Word. "You tell interesting stories when you are trying to win some one, but I think that the Word of God is the thing that brings conviction, and you ought to use it more," was a wife's loving counsel to her husband; and he discovered it to be true. Ralph C. Norton, who is the Director of Personal Work for the Chapman-Alexander Missions, was talking with some friends about the supreme work of winning men one by one, in which God has used him so wonderfully. When they noticed the almost exclusive place he gave to the Bible in personal work, one asked him: "What do you do, Mr. Norton, in cases where the unsaved man does not accept the Bible as having any authority?" "Well, if I had a fine Damascus sword with a keen double-edged blade I would not sheath it in a fight just because the other man said he did not believe it would cut." The Spirit is acquainted with every objection that man can bring to accepting Christ and his answers are the best.—Sunday School Times.

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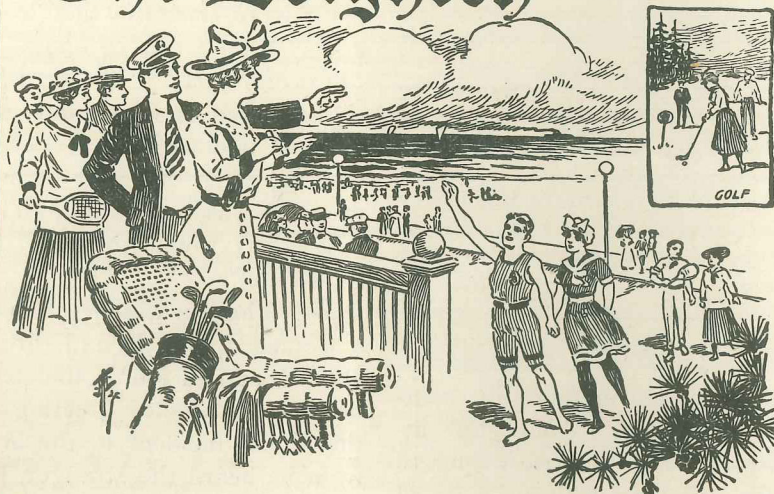
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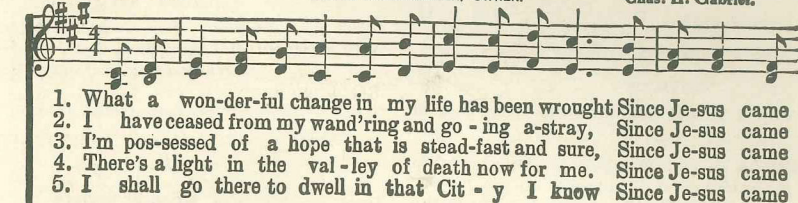
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3 Since Jesus Came Into My Heart.

R. H. McDaniel.

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1. What a won-der-ful change in my life has been wrought Since Je-sus came
2. I have ceased from my wand'ring and go-ing a-stray, Since Je-sus came
3. I'm pos-sessed of a hope that is stead-fast and sure, Since Je-sus came
4. There's a light in the val-ley of death now for me. Since Je-sus came
5. I shall go there to dwell in that Cit-y I know Since Je-sus came



in - to my heart! I have light in my soul for which long I had sought,
in - to my heart! And my sins which were ma - ny are all washed a-way
in - to my heart! And no dark clouds of doubt now my path - way ob-scure,
in - to my heart! And the gates of the Cit - y be - yond I can see,
in - to my heart! And I'm hap-py, so hap-py as on - ward I go.



Since Je-sus came in-to my heart! Since Je-sus came in-to my
Since Je - sus came in, came



heart Since Je-sus came in - to my heart. Floods of joy o'er my
in - to my heart, Since Je-sus came in came in-to my heart



soul like the sea bil-lows roll, Since Je-sus came in - to my heart.



THE PARISH DIRECTORY

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The Holy Communion Sundays, 8.00 A. M.
First Sunday in month. 11 A. M.
Thursdays and Saint's Days 9.30 A. M.

NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.

Those who wish to become members of the parish are asked to send their names and addresses to the Rector. Applications for pews or settings should be made to the Accounting Warden, J. H. Zebley.

Parishioners are asked to send prompt notice of change of residence.

The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for baptisms, marriages, or funerals.

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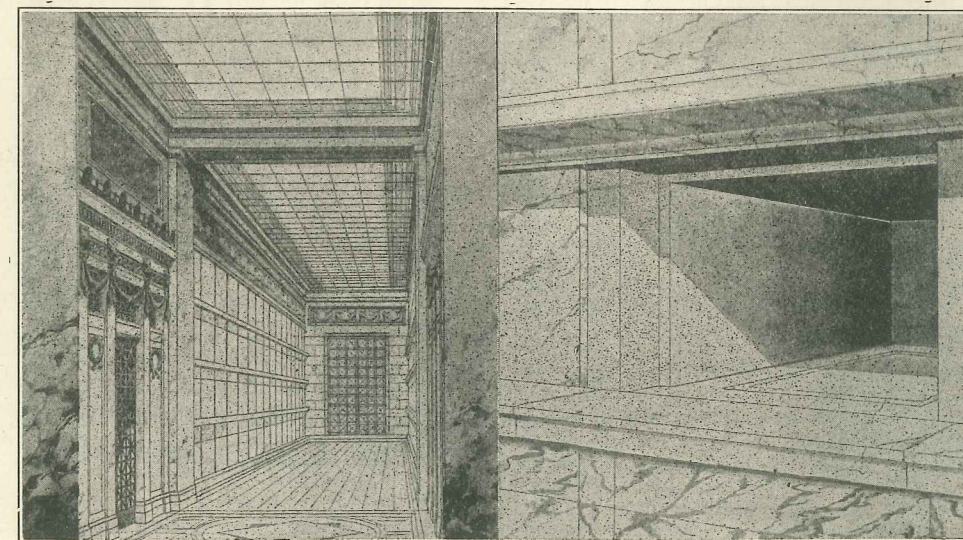
"Your booklet is a joy to those who look for the appearing."

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| 1. It is in the street | 3. It is on the floor. |
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THE RECTOR

The special committee of the Vestry charged with consideration of the merits and qualifications of the many candidates under consideration for the vacant Rectorship of the Church, has had the active and earnest co-operation of Bishop Rhinelander in its investigations, and it was expected we would be able to announce the conclusion of their endeavors in this issue of *THE RECORD*, but unavoidable circumstances that have arisen from time to time has retarded the matter considerably, and it is probable no decision will be reached until after the first of the year.

PROSPERITY WHICH WILL BRING DECAY

PASTORAL LETTER ISSUED TO EPISCOPALIANS

The pastoral letter which was read at the recent Triennial Episcopal Convention, held in St. Louis, is the message of 108 Bishops of the Church to its communicants, and, under Church law has been, or will be, read in every Church in the country.

Unlike most previous letters, it dealt with secular rather than ecclesiastical affairs. It reviewed conditions in the United States, in Europe and in the Orient, and pointed out to this country

the threat that lingers in a nationalism which assumes "the ugly role of group-selfishness or false patriotism."

"Whatever dangers may lie lurking beyond our western horizon, it asserted, 'surely can be averted by a spirit of justice which has not prevailed always in our dealings with the Orient.'"

Members of the church were admonished to "sanctify their wealth by offering freely of their substance to God's cause," it being added that "the wounds of Armenia, Poland and Belgium still lie gaping to the sky and offer their dumb appeal to God and man." The letter in part follows:

"America is involved to-day in world-wide confusion which finds its most acute expression in the battlefields of Europe. No self-isolation on our part is possible. The fortunes of the nations are interwoven as the threads of a tapestry.

"Interest never again can be sectional. The world is henceforth one, for the time being in a disturbed and suffering unity, in days to come in a unity where order and health will reign. Political expediency may, in war time, require neutrality of the state, but it cannot hold in lash the sympathies of the individual citizen. A man cannot be passionless and retain his manhood.

"The fact that our nation is not at war affords no grounds for smugness. It throws upon us the searching responsibility of exalting the true ideals of peace and incorporating them in our national life. Nationalism too often assumes the ugly role of group-selfishness or false patriotism. Local conditions determine



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what form the disease will take. Yonder it breaks forth in the scarlet rash of war; here in unconsecrated prosperity which is bound to cause manhood to decay.

"The nation that in some quarters for the sake of gain, still chains to the wheels of industry the bodies and souls of her little children, that allows human life to be sacrificed to the inventions of speed and production from lack of costly safeguards, that heeds but listlessly the cry of the poor and oppressed, is not at peace even though she be not at war. If presently we aspire to act as peace-makers in behalf of the warring nations,

let our aspirations be tempered by the reflection that we are tainted with the common disease of which the eruption of war is a symptom, not a cause. God hates a Godless and empty peace as much as he hates an unrighteous war.

"Let it be said sadly that in proportion to her swollen wealth, America's contribution to the innocent sufferers in Europe is the merest pittance.

"If America comes out of the world disorder richer in purse and poorer in manhood, she will bring upon herself the penalty of a debased life or even of losing her very soul.

"No nation, least of all so vast and

diversified a one as ours, is justified in trusting to chance for the creation of her national character. She must expect of every one of her citizens some true form of national service, rendered according to the capacity of each. National preparedness is a clear duty. If this service assumes the form of military defense such can easily become a menace and surely will fall short of pacific, unless all the productive forces of manhood are at the same moment shaped into social order. The only thorough preparedness is that exemplified by Christ, the preparedness of character based upon life with God.

"The nations now at war have as much to teach as we have to teach them. They rebuke our worship of comfort and money by the daily offering, upon a reeking altar, of life and treasure; they declare to us that intoxicating liquor, which is so freely and carelessly drunk in our land, is a national menace to be dispensed with at the cost of lowered revenue but with the gain of heightened virility; they teach us that food is the staff of physical life, not an invitation to daintiness and gluttony; they rebuke our spiritual poverty by the splendor of their spiritual eagerness which, out of their tragedy, brings new visions from God and breeds new virtues in men; they shame our self-indulgence by a life of self-sacrifice that is royal.

"Greed of possession, of honor, of pleasure literally have dethroned God from his supreme place among men. The sole cure is to exalt God.

"Thus far the church has been only strong enough to see and covet, not strong enough to consummate her ideal. Her own disunion dims her hopes and hinders her progress. A divided church is powerless to create an undivided world.

"We close our words of counsel and exhortation with our faces set toward the

dawn. History makes plain to us that man's extremity is God's opportunity. Beneath every pall of tragedy lies hidden the glory of God—new visions of faith, new counsels of virtue—to be revealed to and discovered by those who look not at the things which are seen, but at things which are not seen, and who wrestle with God for a blessing."

It is most encouraging to those who have felt the need of an active working agency for the development and training of the boys of the Parish into strong, effective workers for Christ and His Church, to see the steady growth of St. Philip's Junior Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Through its influence, associations, and training, it is confidently believed will be developed those who will in a few years take up the responsibilities resting on the shoulders of others. The boys of to-day are to be the men of to-morrow.

The cause of Christ needs men. The Church needs men.

In what relation to these needs will your boy stand in the days to come?

CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

The annual Christmas Entertainment of the Church School will be held on Wednesday evening, December 27, at 8 o'clock, and will consist of the reading, "Why the Chimes Rang," the different parts being taken by the scholars, in the Church, followed by games and dancing in the Parish House, when refreshments will be served and candy distributed. It is hoped all the scholars of the Primary, Junior and Senior departments will be present, together with their parents.

The following is the order of service for the Christmas Festival, to be held in the Church, Sunday, December 31, at 3.30 o'clock.

Processional—Adestes Fideles (49)
 Opening Sentences
 Lord's Prayer (chanted)
 Carol by the Kindergarten Department.
"The Air is Filled with the Echoes"
 Lesson for the Day
 Magnificat
 Carol By the Entire School
"The First Nowell"
 Creed and Versicles
 Collects and Prayers
 Carol By the Primary Department
"We Three Kings of Orient"
 Address By Major Moses Veale
 Hymn—"Little Town of Bethlehem" (58)
 Address
 Offertory—"It Came Upon the Midnight
 Clear" (59)
 Prayer Hymn—"Jesus, Tender Shepherd"
 (534)
 Benediction
 Recessional Hymn 319

Franklin T. Field Jr., has been elected
 Secretary of the Church School.

It is gratifying to note the attendance
 is gradually increasing, and the scholars
 deserve much credit for the manner in
 which they are assisting their teachers in
 helping in this matter.

The scholars of Miss Sophy Bisham's
 class presented her with a beautiful box
 of flowers on Sunday, December 10th,
 which was the last day she was with us
 as teacher in the Junior Department. Her
 leaving was a cause of deep regret.

At the Missionary service of the
 Church School on January 7th, 1916, it
 is hoped to have as the speaker a Mis-
 sionary.

As usual, the Volunteer Choir of the
 Church School will render the music at the
 eight o'clock celebration on Christmas Day.
 It will be under the direction of Miss Irene

Neuman, with Mr. F. E. Godfrey as or-
 ganist.

The scholars have contributed \$17.50 for
 Christmas dinners for those in need in the
 Parish, and \$2.50 to the Belgian Relief for
 Children.

The following resolutions were inad-
 vertently omitted from November issue
 of THE RECORD:

Whereas:—Through the resignation
 of the Rev. Clarence Wyatt Bispham
 there has resulted a severance of the re-
 lationship which has for sixteen years
 existed between the Rector and the Choir
 of St. Philip's Church, we, the Choir, do
 hereby make the following resolutions:

Resolved:—That we offer to Mr. Bisp-
 ham our most sincere appreciation, and
 full acknowledgment, of his interest in,
 and co-operation with the Choir, in their
 efforts to render the musical portion of
 the service of the Church in a spirit of
 dignity, reverence and worship.

Resolved:—That the Rector's presence
 at the rehearsals of the Choir, his unfa-
 iling courtesy and kindness, added to his
 cordial commendation of the work, have
 been an inspiration to each and every
 member.

Resolved:—That such criticism from
 one who has been not only Rector, but
 also a true musician, has been invaluable.

Resolved:—That we deeply regret the
 loss of the Rev. Clarence Wyatt Bisp-
 ham, and that so long as this organiza-
 tion exists, his influence will linger and
 his memory be honored.

Adopted by the Choir of St. Philip's
 Church, Philadelphia, October the
 twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and
 sixteen.

The more you wait for something to turn
 up, the more liable you are to get turned
 down.

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

At the November meeting of the Ladies'
 Aid Society, it was suggested the changing
 of the name to that of "The Women's
 Guild" of St. Philip's Church. This was
 voted upon at the December meeting, and
 was unanimously adopted, so from this time
 we will use our new name.

At this meeting it was agreed by the
 members to give a ton of coal to some of
 the needy poor of our parish, and also to
 fill some Christmas baskets, so as to make
 a happy day for some of the mothers and
 children who otherwise would not have any
 Christmas dinner. Any donations of money
 would be very welcome towards helping
 with these.

Our "Sale" of December 6 and 7 real-
 ized the sum of \$362. The tables were
 made very attractive, with many pretty and
 useful articles, and an abundance of very
 good home-made candy and cakes, and it
 was a disappointment that more people did
 not come to see and buy, but we thank the
 friends who showed their interest in it,
 either by their contributions or coming to
 the Sale.

M. W. HARPER,

Corresponding Secretary.

BE WHOLLY CONSECRATED

What we need is to quit dallying with
 sin. We must come to hate sin, the devil,
 and all his works. We must take the Bible
 more as our fathers took it, believe it, and
 govern our lives by its precepts; we must
 believe unvaryingly in heaven and hell, in
 sin and salvation, in the fundamental and
 eternal verities of God, and then preach
 them and live them. Nothing else will do
 if we expect to live in obedience to God's
 will and expect the world or any part of it
 to be attracted to the things of God.

Winter and Summer weather mixed isn't
 health; neither is a profession without a
 spirit-possession. J. C. E.

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PEACE CHRISTMAS

O Bethlehem, O Bethlehem,
 Thine heart is light to-day;
 O Bethlehem, O Bethlehem,
 Thy peace has come to stay.
 No more is strife within thy bounds,
 The nations are at ease;
 Good-will, instead of ill, abounds;
 Brought by the Prince of Peace.

O Palestine, O Palestine,
 Thine heart is light to-day;
 O Palestine, O Palestine,
 Thy peace has come to stay.
 The voice of liberty is heard,
 From bondage came release;
 Sweet fellowship in deed and word,
 Brought by the Prince of Peace.

O fallen world, O fallen world,
 Thine heart is light to-day;
 O fallen world, O fallen world,
 Thy peace has come to stay.
 Thy wars must cease, thy song must grow,
 Health banish all disease;
 World-brotherhood in triumph glow—
 Gifts of the Prince of Peace.

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A Merry Christmas and a Happy New
 Year to all our readers.

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
 Let earth receive her King.
 Let every heart prepare Him room,
 And heaven and nature sing.

To do the things we know to-day will
 mean to know the things to do to-morrow.

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Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter
Long ago.

Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him
Nor earth sustain;
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When He comes to reign.
In the bleak mid-winter
A stable-place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty,
Jesus Christ.

Enough for Him, whom cherubim
Worship night and day;
A breastful of milk
And a mangerful of hay;
Enough for Him whom angels
Fall down before,
The ox and ass and camel
Who adore.

Angels and archangels
May have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim
Thronged the air,
But only His mother
In her maiden bliss
Worshipped her Beloved
With a kiss.

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd,
I would bring a lamb,
If I were a wise man,
I would do my part—
Yet what I can I give Him,
Give my heart.

—Christina G. Rossetti.

If ever mankind should manifest a spirit in harmony with the songs of the Herald's angels, and with the pacific character of the Prince of Peace, whose advent they proclaim, it is on Christmas day. While peace everywhere is to be greatly desired, yet in the midst of all our longing, praying and hoping for the grand consummation it must be borne in mind that much depends

upon the individual attitude of men toward God, whither each one has made his peace with Him through the Lord Jesus Christ. For, true, heartfelt Christmas cheer, this relationship must be experienced; there is no real Christmas cheer without Christ. The world hasn't got Him and cannot give Him to you. You must find Him, Jesus of Nazareth; become a part of Him, and He, by eradicating all sin, and the sinful life out of you, become a part of you. Thus and now you can readily enjoy Christmas, and in no other way can you comprehend its true significance. May this be a real God union Christmas time for you, my parishioners, and all who may read these lines.

Matt. 2:10—"When they saw the star,"—there were many who did not see it—blinded, perhaps, by the light of the fire of their own kindling. Others saw it, but did not heed, for they played in the field of luxury, or worshipped at the shrine of pleasure; others were bent down with cares of this world, and did not look up. Out in the fields were wise men, they saw the star, followed it, and found the Babe of Bethlehem, and in "Him was life, and the Life was the light of men. In Him they found the Way, the Truth, Life. Christ the eternal, Christ the Creator, Christ the Saviour.

J. C. E.

It is difficulties, not facilities, that nourish energy; and what pleasure there is in surmounting a difficulty! To men of determination, difficulties are not obstacles, but stepping-stones that sort out the workers from the quitters.—*Parish Leaflet.*

The atheist laughs at what Christ will do for us, counting divine things to be delusions; but the Christian can say, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

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WHAT IS THE SECRET OF PRAYER?

This may be answered in many ways, but I would say, Follow Jesus in constant prayer, ever making Him your personal Friend. He is the One to speak to in every time of need, for He knows you altogether in all your joys and sorrows. He is absent in body, but with us in Spirit, which is far better, for He is spiritual, and ever with us, and ever desirous that we should be with Him. Help us therefore, Dear Lord, to be ever with Thee, as we are so apt to be with Thee in the church services, prayer meetings, and special occasions, and forgetting Thee the balance of the week. Strengthen us, therefore, that we may keep with Thee every hour of the day in close communion.

Rev. 3:20—"Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any man *hear my voice*, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me." Help us, Dear Saviour, to accept Thy gracious invitation that we may be ever with Thee in constant prayer.

A CHRISTMAS SONG

Sing a song of Christmas, carols in the air,
Merry, happy faces smiling everywhere,
Hearts attuned to joy-rhyme bid farewell to care—

Sing a song of Christmas, pleasure in the air.
Hear a sound of sadness? Nay, we shall pass by

Sickness, poverty and woe, for the hours fly,
Christmas time is party time, holidays are nigh:

Sing a little louder, you'll not hear a sigh.

Sing a song of Christmas—birthday of the King—

Stay—had we forgotten? 'Tis to Him we sing.
Christmas time is Christ's time, humbly let us bring

Service to our fellow-men—our birthday offering.

—C. O. M.

No man is ready for heaven who is willing to enjoy it alone.

A FEW QUESTIONS

1. How many books are there in the Bible? In the Old Testament? In the New Testament?

2. What does the word "Bible" mean?

3. In what languages was the Old Testament originally written? The New Testament?

4. Where in the New Testament do we find the word "Scripture" used with reference to the writings of the Old Testament? What are some other titles that are used for the same?

5. Why are some of the books of the Old Testament called "canonical", while others are called "apocryphal"?

6. What was the Septuagint Version of the Old Testament Scriptures, and why was it so called?

7. What is the "Vulgate Version of the Bible", and where is it now in use?

8. What is meant by the "Authorized Version of the Bible," and where is it now in use?

After the shepherds went to Bethlehem and saw for themselves, they returned, glorifying and praising God. They had enough religion to make them sing. If we sang more about Jesus, as we work, as we rest, more people would be interested in our Christ; if people saw we were really living Christ, more of the world would be saved for Him.

J. C. E.

Is it not strange that although God gives us nine-tenths of what we have, and six-sevenths of the time we have for ourselves, we are selfish enough to want and take *all* of each? From the beginning of time, God has demanded one-tenth of what man has, and one-seventh of the time He allows him. Yet we begrudge Him the small percentage He demands.

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THE PARISH DIRECTORY

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"THERE WAS NO ROOM FOR THEM IN THE INN"

LUKE 2: 7

One dark night a young soldier standing at a sentry box before the barracks heard the hoof-beats of his captain's horse. He went quickly out and offered his salute and stood like marble, till the captain called out, "Of what use to me are your tokens of respect this dark night? Open the gate, so that I can ride in." Is there not a lesson in this for us? Of what use is the honors we pay Him on Christmas Day, if we do not give entrance and a permanent place to live in our hearts?

"In Bethlehem a thousand Christs may be born—
 If He's not born in you, thy soul is all forlorn."

"Friend, brother, sister, Jesus comes to you to-day,
 Won't you accept Him, don't let Him go away;
 He pleads, pleads earnestly, for your heart.
 Come now, give Him your life, your all—not a part.
 Look yonder; oh, that heavy cross; how He does bend.
 Yes, on that tree He was nailed for you, this Friend.
 From His wounded side the water and blood did flow,
 That the children of men, you; might not the sinner's death know."

—J. C. E.

I LIKE TO GO TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

I.

When its Sunday afternoon, and all my work is through,
 I like to go to Sunday School to see what news is new.
 And if my Hub's attending unto his Bible class
 And my hopeful, brassy sonny chases not some chicken lass.
 Of course they read the lesson and they pray and sing, but WHEW!
 I like to go to Sunday School to see what news is new.

II.

There's classes where the teacher tells the lesson all along
 Until the bell starts ringing and they sing again a song,
 Some talk so loud and earnest you couldn't help but hear
 About St. Paul and Revelations, and the passing vogue of beer.
 But such things set me thinking and get me in a stew,
 But I like to go to Sunday School to see what news is new.

III.

But here and there a little group talk things they sure do know;
 It's not about the Bible or the shelling out of dough,
 They chin appropos their parties and the newest thing in stitches;
 And if they be not married take a look at them in breeches.
 Now such things get me going; yes, indeed, they surely do;
 But I like to go to Sunday School to see what news is new.

IV.

Let's hope the day is coming when the people one and all,
 Enter Church with hearts a-hungering for the Word of God—THAT'S ALL.
 Then there'll be a great Revival and the Angels up on high
 Will shout with joy and triumph whereas now they sigh.
 Then we'll know the best, old story that will teach us what to do
 When we leave the Church's portals, with the old, old news that's new.

Riches acquired by ways and means or toil unhallowed by prayer are of the sort that curse the soul, blight the life and soon or late "make for themselves wings, and flee away."

In the prayerless home, Christless character develops and dominates; Christian culture is discounted, moral chaos reigns and heart and soul degenerate and drift to a direful doom.

A CHRISTMAS APPEAL

What are you going to give your Church for Christmas? Surely, in this, of all seasons of the year, you will not forget the dear, old, loving mother of us all! She has been so good, so kind, so rich in countless blessings, that every one of her sons and daughters will want to gladden her heart by some token of love. But what shall it be? She is so modest that she will not tell it herself. And yet, we know she hath need of many, many things. I wonder if you can guess what it is she wants and needs most of all? A gift of money? Of course, that would be most acceptable; but there is something better than that. Some piece of jewelry to wear upon her breast? Possibly you couldn't afford so costly a gift. Her home made more beautiful? Well, it would be just splendid if some of her sons or daughters would pay for re-decorating her stained and discolored walls. New electric lights? That would be a very handsome present. Still it is none of these things she longs for supremely. She is such a true mother that the gift that will best satisfy her loving heart is the love of each one of all her precious children. We can all give her that. And we all ought to give her that. But how can we show our love for her? By praying for her. By praising her. By keeping our promises to her. By living honestly and cleanly and honorably. By being gracious and brotherly to all the members of our mother's family. By treating all men charitably. By doing all we can to make those who come to our mother's house feel at home. By bearing our share of the family expenses and doing our share of the work. This is the best Christmas gift. For always love's best gift is love's faithful devotion. Such gifts bring joy to all hearts; to a mother's heart most of all. Shall we not give it, and make her rejoice this Christmas-tide?

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Preaching only secular opinions is feeding the people with husks, but proclaiming convictions of Gospel truth or real soul-experience is feeding the flock with the

Bread of Life. Jesus never indulged in mere opinions; He proclaimed facts, truth, with absolute certainty. He said, "I am the way, the life. He that believeth on me shall have everlasting life." Listen, brethren, ministers cannot afford to make mistakes when preaching to immortal souls. Sermons will make or break a life; are we preaching a whole Gospel? Is Noah, Jonah, Jairus' daughter, the feeding of the thousands with the few fish and loaves, is Lazarus, is Jesus, as the Divine Son of God, in our teachings? If so, then we are leading the people along right lines—God, keep His ministry, walking and talking, on apostolic lines, walking in the same, messenger path the great Messiah Himself trod.

J. C. E.

One backslider will do more harm than twenty Christian men can do good.—W. E. Blackstone.

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"Surely the Lord is with you in this work, a fact that further persuades me that the time of the end is near in view of the fact that we have His promise of increased knowledge during the latter days."

"Have just finished reading your pamphlet on 'The Times of the Gentiles.' I just stumbled on to your advertisement by chance in an old 'Herald and Presbyterian' of a neighbor's. I wouldn't have missed it for anything and I feel like criticising you for not advertising more extensively—Beggings your pardon."

"My ever dear brother in Christ—I cannot rest before thanking you for remembering me again and for, in your way, refreshingly reminding me of the nearness of the Coming again of Jesus our beloved Lord. We sing

"Oh the joy to see Him Reigning
Worshipped, glorified—adored.

I think if I ever raised the inquiry 'Have any of the Rulers or Pharisees believed on Him,' this last address of yours has eliminated the last fragment of suspicion—really I never did care much what a man—a mere man—had to say when God had spoken.

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| 1. It is in the street. | 3. It is on the floor. |
| () — — — | () — — — |
| 2. It is on the street. | 4. It is in the store. |
| () — — — | () — — — |

WRITE THESE SENTENCES.

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| 1. It is at the shop. | Phrased. |
| () — — — | Phrased. |
| 2. It is at the store. | Phrased. |
| () — — — | Phrased. |
| 3. It is at the office. | Phrased. |
| () — — — | Phrased. |

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October.

1—14th Sunday after Trinity.
8—15th Sunday after Trinity.
15—16th Sunday after Trinity.
18—St. Luke the Evangelist's Day.
22—17th Sunday after Trinity.
28—SS. Simon and Jude's Day.
29—18th Sunday after Trinity.

PARISH REGISTER

Marriages.

June 24—John Robison Hoopes and
Elizabeth Esdelle Dallett.
June 29—Edward Shenton and Louise
Helene Caldwell.

Burials.

July 31—Elizabeth Carpenter Wheeler.
September 17—Alma Brobston.

Communicants Transferred.

September 14—Edmund B. McCarthy,
Mrs. E. B. McCarthy, Ronald J. Mc-
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PARISH CALENDAR

Weekly Meetings, Other Than Services.
Mondays—Church Normal School, 7.30
P. M.

Tuesdays—Mothers' Meeting, 8 P. M.

Wednesdays—Confirmation Instruc-
tions, 7.30 P. M.; Bible Class, 8.15 P. M.

Fridays—Church School Service
League, 4 P. M.; Confirmation Instruc-
tions, 4.30 P. M.; Boy Scouts, 7.30 P. M.

Monthly Meetings.

October 9—Women's Auxiliary, 2.30
P. M.

October 11—Women's Guild, 3 P. M.

October 13—Brotherhood of St. An-
drew, 7.45 P. M.

October 24—Vestry Meeting, 8.15 P. M.

October 30—Woman's Auxiliary, 2.30
P. M.

Special Service.

The Bishop White Prayer Book Society
will hold its annual service in this church
on the evening of Sunday, October 29.
The Rector has been chosen as the
preacher.

ALTAR GUILD

Flowers are supplied for the altar as
follows:

October—

First Sunday, Miss H. Williams.

Second Sunday,

Third Sunday,

Fourth Sunday,

Fifth Sunday,

November—

All Saints' day, In Memoriam.

First Sunday, Mrs. J. A. Aikens.

Second Sunday,

Third Sunday, Mrs. J. A. Aikens.

Fourth Sunday, Mrs. John Loman.

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Applications for vacant Sundays may
be made to members of the Altar Guild.

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

At a special meeting of the Executive
Committee of the Women's Guild, held
September 20, to carry out the plans
adopted at the May meeting to raise funds
for the year's work, it was decided to
send the following letter to each family of
the Parish:

"The women of the Women's Guild are
making their annual appeal for money
necessary for repairs and improvements
in the Parish. Instead of bazaars or
fairs, the plan of 'the Selling of the Year'
which was so successful last year was
again adopted.

"We are asking the co-operation of each
member of the Parish, and hope you are
interested enough to give generously.

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ciated.

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If you want to be rich—give!

If you want to be poor—grasp!

If you want to be needy—hoard!"

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

First week. *Building for the Future.* Phil. 3:7-21; S. Lu. 9:57-62; Gen. 19:12-28; Heb. 12:1-13; Num. 11:4-20; Rom. 8:18-39; S. Lu. 3:1-18.

O Almighty God, Whose servants throughout the world are helping Thee to build Jerusalem on earth, and Who hast entrusted to each one of us a special part in that work; give us grace to thank Thee for this hope of glory, by so training ourselves through faithful use of our opportunities in this stage of life, that we may, all our lives, be fellow-workers with Thee in building the city of God. Amen.

Second week. *Confirmation.* S. Jn. 14; Eph. 6:10-20; Eph. 3:14-21; S. Jn. 15; Acts 19:1-7; Confirmation Office, Ezek. 36:25-28.

Stir up, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the will of Thy people in this parish. May those who are without the fold be led to baptism. May those who ought to be confirmed receive the laying on of the Bishop's Hands. May those who have absented themselves from the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper return. May the inactive renew their interest in the church, and may we all, with one heart and mind, work and pray daily for the prosperity of our parish, and the extension of Thy kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Third week. *Religious Education.* I Sam. 3; Prov. 1:1-19; Eccles. 11:9-12, 14; S. Lu. 2:40-52; S. Mk. 9:33-50; S. Mk. 10:13-17.

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Who hast committed to Thy Holy Church the care and nurture of Thy children, enlighten with Thy wisdom those who teach and those who learn, that rejoicing in the knowledge of Thy truth, they may worship Thee and serve Thee from generation to generation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Fourth week. *The Parish.* Acts 1; I Cor. 11:18-34; S. Matt. 21:12-13; Acts 8:14-40; Rev. 3:10-22; I Cor. 16; Tit. 1.

O God, Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful, have in gracious remembrance we beseech Thee Thy whole church, particularly this parish. May faith and virtue abound and true religion flourish and increase. May Thy ministry be holy and honorable and Thy worship abundant and joyful. May Thy house be beautiful, reverent and beloved of all. May our children grow up in Thy faith and love. Strengthen the authority of parents and the dutifulness of sons and daughters. Banish intemperance and vice. Gather in those who wander, recover the careless and establish the faithful. May we all be one in Thee, O Blessed Spirit, Whom, with the Father and the Son, we worship as one God, world without end. Amen.

Fifth week. *Paradise.* Wis. 3:1-9; Rev. 19:1-16; Wis. 5:1-16; Rev. 21:1-22, 6; Heb. 11:32, 12-2; Rev. 7:9-17; S. Matt. 5:1-12.

O Almighty Lord, the God of the spirits of all flesh, fulfill, we beseech Thee, the purpose of Thy love in those who are at rest, that the good work which Thou hast begun in them may be perfected unto the day of Jesus Christ Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

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"The Lord preserve thy going out:

The Lord preserve thy coming in:
His angels guard thee round about

To keep thy soul from every sin:
And when thy going out is done;

And when thy coming in is o'er;
When in the dear and hallowed place

Thy feet can come and go no more;

The Lord preserve thy going out

From this fair world, from friends and kin,

While angels standing round about
Sing God preserve thy coming in."

(Hymn 291.)

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Greeting and grace be to you all, as we take up God's work together for the coming season, with vigor renewed and resolve strengthened by the summer's vacation.

Let our aim be to do our share of the work better. Let us grow in grace, increase in knowledge, and advance the Kingdom.

Cordially do we welcome those who may be new attendants at St. Philip's. This Parish justifies its existence only as it serves you,—and it can exist only so far as its friends serve it. We aim to make this "a house of prayer for all people." Come yourself and bring your friends.

As a matter of parochial bookkeeping, I urge new attendants to bring Letters of Transfer,—or to request Confirmation (in the case of non-communicants)—and though we are loath to lose our registered members, we should be loyal Churchmen and obey the Canon which requires "communicants removing to another Parish to ask for Letters of Transfer to the new Parish." St. Philip's welcomes all, but parochial records, to be helpful, must be accurate.

May God grant us grace to fulfill His purpose, sufficient success on earth, and the joy of serving Him in Heaven.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

Frederick E. Seymour.

PARISH NOTES

OUR PAPER. With this issue, "St. Philip's Record," appears in new form. Its contents now are all carefully edited. Heretofore about half the pages were filled with matter inserted by the publisher.

The aim of "St. Philip's Record" will be to record the life of the parish, to inculcate Christian knowledge, and to give, in condensed form, the news of the church.

Articles for publication must be in the hands of the Rector by the 15th of the month. It will help if such articles are written plainly, on one side of the paper.

A GREAT LOSS. It is with singular regret that the Rector has issued letters of transfer for Mr. Edmund B. McCarthy and his family, from St. Philip's to old St. David's Church, Radnor. The Rector has known for many months that Mr.

McCarthy intended soon to make his home permanently at Devon, at which time he would ask for his transfer to St. David's, where he has attended for many years.

That time has, unfortunately, come, and St. Philip's is the loser, as St. David's is the gainer, of a devoted, enthusiastic, tireless family of church people, whose places in our varied parish life will be exceedingly difficult to fill.

The Rector thus loses a faithful Rector's Warden who has lightened the burden of responsibility by helpful counsel and zealous work.

In vestry and general councils of the parish, in auxiliary and brotherhood, the McCarthy family has exerted widespread influence, which will be a permanent benefit to our parish.

Our best wishes go with them to their (technically speaking) new church home.

RECTOR'S "EYES AND EARS." On a recent Sunday the Rector mentioned the obvious fact that it is impossible for him to know what is happening in all parts of the parish, and requested each person to act as "eyes and ears of the rector" in his own vicinity, that he may report to the Rector such things as should be known, e. g., new arrivals, sickness, etc.

The next day he received by mail the names of several boys living nearby, attending no church school. Invitations were immediately issued, and calls made. The next Sunday two of the boys were enrolled at school.

Have you seen or heard anything which the Rector should know?

CONFIRMATION. At the Rector's request the time for Confirmation has been changed from Lent to the late autumn.

Bishop Garland will visit this parish on the morning of November 19 for Confirmation.

Church people look forward to Confirmation for themselves and their children as the normal process in the life of grace.

Most persons not so familiar with church ways desire to receive Confirmation when they understand its meaning, its power and its privileges.

The time for preparation is shorter than usual, so diligence will be required.

Instructions will be given, commencing the first week in October; for adults on Wednesdays at 7.30, and for children on Fridays at 4.30 P. M.

All persons, whether confirmed or not, are invited to the instructions which are simple expositions of Christian teaching.

RESIGNATION. After many years of faithful service as lay superintendent of St. Philip's Church School, Mr. E. Tracy Tobin has resigned his office.

Anyone familiar with the administration of a modern church school knows the infinite amount of detailed work falling to such an officer, and the consequent importance of the office in making the "business end" of the school efficient.

By Canon and otherwise the Rector is charged with the direction of the religious education of the parish, but the assistance

of Mr. Tobin in the capacity of superintendent, his unfailing interest and loyal co-operation have helped materially in bringing St. Philip's Church School to its present high standing.

His faithfulness to his duty has been a source of encouragement to the Rector, who desires to express his great regret at the step Mr. Tobin has taken, and his deep appreciation of his untiring services during the past five years of fellowship and mutual work.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES

were incurred during the past summer owing to the necessity for making unexpected repairs to the roof of the church building, overhauling of the organ, and, also, much needed renovation of the Rectory.

The church property is now all in good repair, but the outside of the church building and parish house need painting, and this work ought to be done in the near future.

The organ, which had become affected by dampness existing in the motor vault underneath the instrument, has been thoroughly overhauled and tuned and is again in splendid condition, and plans are under way toward abating the trouble in the motor vault.

In view of a statement made by the organ manufacturers that the instrument in St. Philip's is one of the finest of its size in the city, and that it could not be duplicated at present prices for less than three times its original cost, it was felt by the Music Committee that no expense ought to be spared in maintaining it in the best possible condition.

These matters are thus placed before the parishioners in the hope that they will give thoughtful consideration to them, as well as to the further fact that the ordinary expenses of the Church went on as usual during the summer, and it is a solemn duty upon their part faithfully to fulfill the pledges they have made toward the maintenance of the Church, and contribute their full quota whether present at all services or not.

The finances of the Corporation are operated upon the budget system, arranged in accordance with the pledges of its members, consequently failure upon part of any members faithfully to fulfill his or her part of the contract is a serious matter to those charged with the maintenance of the Church. Let us all take note of this fact, then, and do our part.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The importance of religious education is now so universally recognized that indifference to it and to church schools is a mark of obsolescence.

Many States are allowing pupils to receive religious instruction during school time, as they realize that a knowledge of God the Maker is at least as important as a knowledge of the earth which He has made. They realize that religious principles, best inculcated in youth, are the greatest safeguard to national welfare and to the Commonwealth.

St. Philip's Church School attempts to meet the challenge of the times, and in the two hours per week allotted to it to lay foundations of Christian character and conduct. Truly this is a herculean task, but one which by the grace of God and the co-operation of parents can be done.

Read carefully the paragraphs on the church school below, that you may be informed as to the aim, plans and methods of our school.

Reopening of School. The church school reopened on September 17 with an encouraging number of pupils, and every teacher (except two who had not returned to the city) present. Several new pupils entered the school.

This is a splendid beginning and promises well for the work of the year.

Watchwords for 1922-1923:

Regularity, Remembrance, Reverence.

Punctuality, Patience, Persistence.

Diligence, Discipline, Devotion.

Aim of the School. To nurture the spiritual life of the pupil through information, memory, loyalty, devotion and service, that he may be a true "soldier and servant of Christ unto his life's end."

Parents. Religious education must commence with you. The school is supplementary. The child should be trained in religious habits and attitude even before he is old enough to attend school. Then he should be encouraged by your

interest and example, to be regular and attentive at church and school.

C. S. S. L. The Sunday session is entirely too short for all the tasks which should be done by the pupils. The Friday session provides time and opportunity to develop and conserve, through expressional activity, the lesson taught on Sunday, and arranges the work and instructions according to the plan of the Church School Service League.

Normal School. A normal school for the training of teachers and others will be held in the parish house on Monday evenings at 7.30, commencing October 2. Teachers of our church school are expected to attend. All others interested in religious education are invited. A course of lectures on church history will be given in connection with the normal school. The lectures will commence at 8.45 P. M.

Institute. On Monday, October 16, the annual Sunday School Institute of the diocese will be held in St. James Parish House, Twenty-second and Walnut streets.

College Students. Will parents of boys and girls away at college or other educational centres please give to the Rector their names and addresses that he may keep in touch with them?

THE HOLY CITY

will be sung by the Choir of St. Philip's Church at 7.45 P. M., on Sunday, October 1st, at which time the regular evening service will be resumed.

A few of the former members of the Choir will not return to it this season, but their places will be taken by other singers of equal merit, and Choirmaster Hotz promises that the excellence of the music will be maintained at the same high standard that prevailed during the past season, and that it is planned to give a special musical program on at least one Sunday evening each month throughout the winter.

GENERAL CHURCH NEWS

General Convention.

We go to press too soon for knowledge of action by the general convention to reach us. The following striking extracts from the opening sermon by Bishop Lines, of Newark, N. J., are worthy of note:

"The hope of the church is in moving forward out of the land of ease and contentment, out of the land of prejudice and narrow vision.

"The church in action and holding fast to what is old and well-settled, but dealing intelligently with existing conditions and questions, fighting with unwavering courage against what is wrong, not spending overmuch time upon small questions, but concentrating upon what is large and vital, must make its journey and fill out the mission given by the Master.

"The call for leadership in the service of the country and the world comes to the Christian church with a growing feeling that religion, not only formally expressed, but practised, is the remedy for the ills of the times. The leadership must be unselfish and it must be wise.

"We need in the church more of the spirit of adventure, more willingness to get out of the beaten road and do things in new ways, and to take risks.

"More and more Christian people have come to feel that the church can only fulfill the purpose of its existence as a fellowship and the family of Christ. Emphasis must be put on social justice, fellowship and the golden rule, upon duties rather than upon rights."

Nation-Wide Campaign.

The program for the general church is being prepared by the General Convention. We plan to study it on successive Wednesday evenings at 8.15, commencing October 4. Every communicant should take a vital interest in his investment in the church's work.

The date of the annual canvass is Sunday, November 26.

Church Work Among the Deaf.

The Society for Church Work Among the Deaf in the province of Washington aims to provide funds for the education of deaf candidates for the sacred ministry, and to provide an increase to the meagre salaries of deaf missionaries and to defray their large traveling expenses incurred in ministering to over 15,000 widely-scattered deaf communicants in the province.

The society depends largely upon the offerings of churches, schools, auxiliaries and individuals and, with the endorsement of Bishop Garland, appeals for funds. Contributions may be sent to the treasurer, Mr. Arthur Boehme, Diocesan House, 409 North Charles street, Baltimore, Md.

The amount of the United Thank Offering of the Woman's Auxiliary, which was presented on September 7, in Portland, amounted to \$669,126—an advance of over \$200,000 in the past three years. Better even than the gift of money was the gift of life service of two young women of the Diocese of Western New York—Miss Margery Hibbard, who will specialize in kindergarten work, and Miss Florence Keefe, a nurse, who enters the Church Training and Deaconess' House, Philadelphia.

Bishop William P. Remington, Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of South Dakota, has been appointed by the House of Bishops Bishop of the Missionary District of Eastern Oregon.

The Rt. Rev. Cortland Whitehead, D. D., Bishop of Pittsburgh, died on September 17.

The next General Convention, 1925, will meet in New Orleans.

WORSHIP

Worship lies at the heart of religion. Take that out and the church becomes merely a Society of Ethical Culture. Worship is the act by which we try to enter into personal relation with God, as individuals and as a society. Our own dear historic church especially emphasizes this truth of the necessity of worship. Our churches are temples of worship. Our altars, architecture, vestments and liturgy all magnify this one truth—so completely embodied in our Lord's example—that we must pray to God and thank Him for all His benefits, if we would enter into the fullness of life, which is found alone in His presence. But men must be educated to worship God. It is as necessary as that they be trained to speak, read and write their own language. Nor is such education an easy task. It is always simpler to do things for people. Hence in the church of the book of common prayer we all too easily fall into the habit of vicarious worship—prayers by the clergyman, praise by the choir—leaving the congregation merely spectators or hearers and too often of a listless, bored sort at that. I have often wondered how many members of a congregation really enjoy even a brilliant Te Deum as sung by the most carefully trained choir. I frequently ask myself how many of the people really follow our stately prayers. Let us not forget that education requires activity and participation. It is the prayers and praises of the people themselves that alone bring them nearer to God. It is only what people do, not what they hear, that ultimately counts in their education. The supreme value of silent prayer, of which we have far too little in our public worship, is that it puts the duty and privilege of personal prayer as a challenge to each individual soul.—Herman Page.

WHY JOIN THE CHURCH?

By Daniel A. Poling.

1. I ought to belong to the church because I ought to be better than I am. Henry Ward Beecher once said, "The church is not a gallery for the exhibition of eminent Christians, but a school for the education of imperfect ones."

2. I ought to belong to the church because of what I can give to it and do through it as well as because of what I may get out of it. The church is not a dormitory for sleepers; it is an institution of workers; it is not a rest camp, it is a front line trench.

3. I ought to belong to the church because every man ought to pay his debts and do his share toward discharging the obligations of society. The church has not only been the bearer of the good news of personal salvation; it has been and it is the supreme uplifting and conserving agency without which "Civilization would lapse into barbarism and press its way to perdition."

4. I ought to belong to the church because of memories; memories of things I can never forget; memories of faces that will never fade; memories of vows that are the glory of youth.

5. I ought to belong to the church because of hope; hope that lives when promises are dead; hope that paves the way for progress; hope that visions peace and social justice; hope for time, and hope for eternity—the great hope that casts its anchor behind Jesus Christ.

6. I ought to belong to the church because of the strong men in it who need reinforcing; the weak men in it who need encouraging; the rascals in it who need rebuking. If I say that I am not good enough my humility recommends me. If I sit in the seat of the scornful my inactivity condemns me.

7. I ought to belong to the church, but not until I am ready to join a going concern; not until I am willing to become an active partner with Jesus Christ.

Service Department, Y.M.C.A.

YOUNG PEOPLES' PAGE

TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

It is a great joy to see an increasing number of you young people and also little children in church. In this you are like the Lord Jesus Who was regular in His attendance, because He felt that it was His Father's house and, of course, it is natural for children to want to be where their Father is, isn't it?

Did you ever think that the churches all over the world are built as signs that God is with us today? That they help us today to be near Him and to become like Him?

The window over our altar is copied from a picture of "Christ Amongst the Teachers in the Temple" by Hofmann. Read the story in St. Luke 2:41ff.

Every time you come to church you see that picture. Just think what it means. Our Lord was the Boy that all boys would be glad to follow.—F. E. S.

Angels.

The church teaches us, on Michaelmas day, September 29, that angels really help us in our life here on earth. Read carefully an interesting story in Acts 12: 1-19, and see how an angel helped St. Peter.

Here is a short prayer for you to learn and use:

Lord, give Thine angels every day
Command to guard us on our way,
And bid them every evening keep
Their watch around us while we sleep.

Can You Answer These Questions on the Bible?

1. Who killed an elephant? (This is a hard question, but perhaps pupils who have studied course 8 can answer it.)
2. Who was sentenced to death because he ate some honey?
3. Who gave a girl a present of barley?
4. What boy carried some cheese to his brothers?

N. B.—Names of children sending correct answers will be published in "St. Philip's Record."

PRAY—

1. For more laborers.
2. For greater harvests.

STUDY—

1. The Word of God.
2. The facts of missions.

PLAN—

1. World-wide evangelization.
2. Church-wide enlistment.

GIVE—

1. Proportionately and weekly.
2. "Every one of you."

SERVE—

1. God by helping men.
2. At home and abroad.

The man who puts a Sunday newspaper, golf, motoring or business first and excludes worship on the Lord's day may be able to preserve his own faith, but he is deliberately undermining the faith of his children and the young with whom he may come in contact. You cannot substitute these things for worship without teaching your children that God is not a reality and these things are.

—Rev. Walter E. Bentley.

KINDNESS

Have you ever had your day suddenly turn sunshiny because of a cheerful word? Have you ever wondered if this could be the same world, because someone had been unexpectedly kind to you? You can make today the same for somebody. It is only a question of a little imagination, a little time and a little trouble. Think now, "What can I do today to make someone happy?"—old persons, children, servants—even a bone for the dog, or sugar for the bird. Why not?

—Maltbie D. Babcock.

THREE DEGREES OF WELL DOING

He doeth well who doeth good
To those of his own brotherhood;
He doeth better who doth bless
The stranger in his wretchedness;
But best, oh! best of all doth he
Who helps a fallen enemy.

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SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
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7.45 P. M. Evening Service

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and
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STANDING NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.

Prompt notices should be given of change of address.

The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for Baptisms, Marriages or Burials.

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CHURCH CALENDAR

December.

3—1st Sunday in Advent.
10—2d Sunday in Advent.
17—3d Sunday in Advent.
20, 22, 23—*Ember Days*.
21—*St. Thomas the Apostle*.
24—4th Sunday in Advent.
25—CHRISTMAS DAY.
26—*St. Stephen's Day*.
27—*St. John the Evangelist's Day*.
28—*The Innocents' Day*.
31—Sunday after Christmas.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptisms.

November 11—Dorothy Ruth Wolf,
Raymond John Wolf, Jr., and Virginia
Elisabeth Wolf.

November 19—Helen Alma Elmira
Pearson.

Confirmations.

November 19—Dorothy Colgan, Mrs.
Abbie Conner, Asa Don Dickinson, Jr.,
Charlotte Eyer, Elisabeth Eyer, Thomas
Freeman, Joseph Rees, Helen Smith,
Raymond John Wolf, Mrs. Ruth Wolf,
Dorothy Ruth Wolf.

Burials.

October 31—Rebecca Ward Thompson.
November 11—Harriet C. Dutton.

Communicants Transferred.

November 3—Miss Marie Searing, to
All Hallow's Church, Wyncote, Pa.

November 14—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. B.
Kelley, to St. Paul's Memorial Church,
Overbrook.

November 15—Mrs. Roland Place, to
Church of the Ascension, Atlantic City,
N. J.



Corporate Communion.

The Annual Corporate Communion
for all men and boys of the Parish will
be held on the First Sunday in Advent,
December 3, at 7.30 A. M.

Each confirmed man and boy in the
Parish should make special effort to
attend.

At this service the newly confirmed
persons will make their First Com-
munion.

PARISH CALENDAR

Weekly Meetings.

Mondays—Church Normal School, 7.30
P. M.

Tuesdays—Mothers' Meeting, 8 P. M.

Fridays—Church School Service
League, 4 P. M.; Boy Scouts, Troop 241,
7.30 P. M.

Monthly Meetings.

December 8—Brotherhood of St. An-
drew, 7.45 P. M.

December 13—Women's Guild, 3 P. M.

December 26—Vestry Meeting, 8.15
P. M.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Monday, December 25

7.30 and 11 A. M.—Holy Com-
munion.

Every Communicant of the Church
is expected to receive the Blessed
Sacrament on the anniversary of our
Saviour's birth. Let nothing inter-
fere with this loving duty.

Invalids and shut-ins who cannot
attend the public services are asked
to arrange for private celebrations
within the Octave.

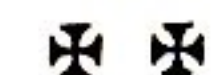
May God's joy and peace be with
you all this Christmas tide.—F. E. S

PREPARATION SERVICE

On Wednesday, December 20, at 8
P. M., a service in preparation for the
Christmas Communion will take place.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Let us have an "old-fashioned Christ-
mas Eve" on Sunday, December 24.
Come to the evening service at 7.45 and
sing the familiar carols!



MISTAKES

"The secret of the growth of the Christ
in you is the habit of quick realization in
every moral crisis of the Presence in
which we live and move and have our
being. Witness in the lives of the great-
est men the effect of this practice. They
may make what we call mistakes, but
they are kept in perfect peace because
their minds are stayed on Him."—*Wilber-
force*.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

First Week in Advent. *Preparation.* S. Mark 13:21-36; S. Mt. 25:1-13; S. Lu. 12:35-40; S. Mt. 24:32-44; Rev. 3:1-6; S. Lu. 21:25-36; Rev. 3:10-22.

O God, Whose blessed Son was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God and heirs of eternal life; Grant us, we beseech Thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as He is pure, that when He shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto Him in His eternal and glorious kingdom; where with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, He liveth and reigneth over, one God, world without end. Amen.

Second Week in Advent. *Hope.* Psalms. 43; Psalms. 23; Isa. 25:1-8; Psalms. 121; Psalms. 91; I Thess. 5:5-11; Psalms. 27.

O God of Hope, fill Thy children with all joy and peace in believing, that we may abound in hope and in the power of the Holy Ghost, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Third Week in Advent. *Consecration.* Josh. 24:14-25; Isa. 6:1-8; Psalms. 71; S. Mt. 3:13-17; S. Mk. 8:34-38; Col. 3:12-17; S. Mt. 6:24-33.

O Lord of all souls, Who hast chosen and called me to serve Thee, all my trust is in Thee, for in Thee are the springs of my life. Abundantly give me of Thy blessed Spirit, without Whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, and use me as it shall please Thee for the glory of Thy Name. Make my will patient, my conscience pure, my temper bright. Empty me of self, and fill me with the meekness of wisdom. Increase my zeal, mellow my judgment, stir my zeal, enlarge my heart. Let my life enforce what my lips utter. Do Thou choose for me the work I do, and the place in which I do it, the success I win, and the harvest I reap. Preserve me from jealousy and impatience, from self-will and depression. Make me faithful unto death, and then give me the crown of life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Fourth Sunday in Advent. *Joy.* Phil. 4:4-7.

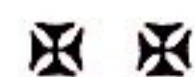
O God, Who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of Thine only Son Jesus Christ; Grant that as we joyfully receive Him for our Redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold Him when He shall come to be our Judge, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Christmas Week. *Image of God.* S. Lu. 2:6-14; Gen. 1:26-21; Psalms. 8; S. Lu. 6:27-38; Eph. 1:1-14; Eph. 4:1-16. I. S. Pet. 2:18-25.

Almighty God, Who hast given us Thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin; Grant that we being regenerate and made Thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit, through the same, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

New Year. *Resolution.* Phil. 3:12-16; Rom. 13:11-14; II Cor. 5:17-20; Heb. 6:1-3; Phil. 3:17-21; S. Matt. 2:1-12.

Ever-living God, by Whose mercy we have come to the gateway of another year; Grant that we may enter it with humble and grateful hearts; and confirm our resolution, we beseech Thee, to walk more closely in Thy way, and labor more faithfully in Thy service, according to the teaching and example of Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.



PLEASE NOTE

Except in cases of absolute necessity, no one should leave the Church during Communion Service, until *after* the Benediction. If you do not receive the Sacrament—pray and meditate and intercede.

Some persons ask "May a Communicant of one Parish receive Holy Communion in another?" Certainly! Baptism and Confirmation are relations to the whole Church of Christ all over the world—they are not parochial ceremonies.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

My message to you this month was spoken in my sermon on November 12, from which I repeat the following extracts:

"Stewardship of Service. Service in the last analysis is the loss of self that others may gain; the consideration of others instead of ourselves; putting first things first and ourselves last. . . .

"In serving this Parish at this time, let us remember first of all what a Parish is and what it is *for* and our conception of service will be uplifted. A Parish is a community of members of a Diocese, who congregate in a local building, being unable to assemble in the Bishop's Church or Cathedral. Under our form of government, a Parish is not an independent entity—that is Congregationalism—but an integral part of the Diocese.

What then is a Parish for? To further the welfare of the Church in the Diocese and enable the Diocese to take its part in the work of the national Church.

Our deliberation must be: How can this Parish minister best to the Church's life and work.

I rejoice at the proper feeling of love for St. Philip's which is expressed by many, and at the natural feeling of sadness that a removal is contemplated. Were it otherwise, we all ought to be ashamed of ourselves.

We must consider how power, energy and funds may be conserved and distributed in wise stewardship, to the best advantage to the Church.

If we remain here, as mentioned in the May "Record," a large increase of money will be needed for our own use, in remodeling the Parish House to make it adequate for present and future needs, and in renovating the Church building—probably costing \$20,000, and sufficient clerical and lay assistance should be engaged to do the work this Parish ought to do in the community—perhaps costing \$2000 annually. Are we ready to provide the necessary funds. Even if so, *ought we*, as wise stewards, to use God's money in such a way, when no purpose would be served (which could not be accomplished by a consolidation of Parishes) other than ministering to our own preference and convenience?

St. Philip's is known in the Diocese as a "forthgiving" Parish. Here is a magnificent adventure for Christ's Church—to *give ourselves*.

Consolidation would release at least \$5000 a year, which is needed to extend the Kingdom, rather than to enrich local commercial enterprises. That sum would more than pay a Missionary Bishop's salary, or support three schools and a hospital in South Dakota, or similar items which are on the Budget.

What will St. Philip's gain by a consolidation? Read the latter part of St. Matt. 19. What did Christ gain when He gave up His home and sacrificed Himself for us?

Our gain will be:

- (1) The consciousness of service rendered at cost to ourselves.
- (2) The strengthening of several parishes to which some of our members may go.
- (3) The economy of God's money as wise stewards that more may be spent in God's service.
- (4) The satisfaction of remedying one of the mistakes of the past.
- (5) The happiness of taking part in a big vision and venture of faith.
- (6) The joy of grasping a wonderful opportunity to serve the Church.
- (7) The reward of Christ Who said "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

If we make this change, it must be done in the spirit of service as unto the Lord, and for no other motive.

We will lay our parochial self on the Altar and say: "Here we offer and present unto Thee . . . ourselves . . . a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto Thee. . . .

We have a glorious opportunity for disinterested service; considering the whole Church, rather than ourselves. We are climbing the Mount of Vision, and the way is hard. But let us not turn our backs upon the glory of accomplishment and service.

Are we big enough for the task—men of enough vision, people with the love of Christ so burning in our hearts, that what we *have* in His service counts nothing, what we *do* and *give* for Christ counts for everything?

I think you are.

Faithfully yours,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

PARISH NOTES

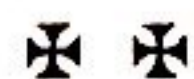
DR. AYER'S ADDRESSES. The presentation of Church History by Dr. Ayer is extremely interesting. Many more of our people should be taking advantage of his visits to the Parish—Monday evenings at 8.45. Come and bring your friends.

CONFIRMATION. To have two classes for Confirmation in one year is somewhat unusual, but we are fortunate in having some who desired to receive at this second opportunity, the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Eleven persons, whose names appear elsewhere in this issue, are now added to our list of registered communicants, and the Parish extends to them its prayers, and wishes them God speed in their Christian progress, strengthened by the Power of God.

MOTHERS' MEETING. On November 7 the Mothers resumed their weekly meetings for the season with a good attendance. It is a noteworthy fact that these women have contributed \$224 within the last three years for the United Thank Offering. This is a splendid work. It is a third of the total parochial amount.

MEN. The Men's Association of St. Mary's Church has invited the men of St. Philip's to a dinner in St. Mary's Parish House, 3916 Locust street, on December 7.



THE WOMEN'S GUILD

On Wednesday morning, November 15, the Guild met as usual for sewing, and under the direction of Mrs. Schermerhorn all the Choir Vestments were repaired.

The business meeting was held at 3 o'clock, at which time the returns for "Selling the Year" were made. Our Treasurer reports \$809 on hand, a very encouraging amount. We take this opportunity of thanking all who have so promptly and generously responded. May we ask those who have not as yet replied to our letters, kindly to do so as soon as possible that we may complete our plan and thereby obtain a sum equivalent to last year.

M. W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

ALTAR GUILD

Flowers are supplied for the Altar as follows:

December—

First Sunday, Mr. Robert Wark.

Second Sunday, Mrs. W. P. Bement.

Third Sunday, Miss M. Bement.

Fourth Sunday, Mrs. J. Sachse.

Christmas Day, Mrs. C. E. Jones.

Fifth Sunday

January—

First Sunday, Mr. Percy A. Legge.

Second Sunday, Mrs. H. A. Stevens.

Third Sunday, Mrs. T. B. Sterling.

Fourth Sunday, Mrs. H. McKnight Moore, Mr. M. T. Ringer.



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

The Altar Guild requests contributions from the attendants at Church towards the expense of Christmas decorations.



"INASMUCH . . ."

The approaching Christmas season spurs us to special generosity, that others may share our joy, which incidentally increases our own.

Your *Thanksgiving Offering* is asked for the *Episcopal Hospital*. Last year this Parish gave \$572.30. The Hospital authorities ask that we do no less this year. Contributions apply on our Parish Quota. The object is worthy, and needs no advertisement.

Near East Relief. The Church Schools of the country are asked to make a Christmas offering for the needs of our brethren in Bible lands. Let us do our share to keep the Star of Hope shining for the orphaned children in the Land of Christ, whence we have received so great a blessing.

Russian Children. Even more pitiful is the plight of the children in Russia. There are over 600,000 famine-stricken orphans. Over 75 per cent. of the cows are dead, and milk is almost unknown. Children cry for bread.

How many children for how many days at three and a half cents a day will YOU keep?

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

General. Our Church School Faculty, after some recent changes, now consists of nineteen persons—nine men and ten women. A new secretarial system has been adopted. Attendance has increased to about 80 per cent. Many new pupils have been enrolled, though owing to frequent removal, the enrollment remains almost stationary—160.

Parents' Tea. On November 17, the Parents of our Pupils were invited by the Teachers, to Tea in the Parish House, where an exhibition of modern Church School methods was made, together with a display of gifts made by the School for Christmas presents which have been sent to the Indian children on the Rosebud Agency, S. D.

Christmas Entertainment. Reserve the evening of Thursday, December 28, for a Christmas party and entertainment.



ATTENDANCE RECORD

The table given below shows Class enrollment and attendance percentage for five Sundays, October 15 to November 12 inclusive.

Course	Enroll.	Attend. %
B	10	70
3	9	67
5 A	9	64
5 B	7	66
6 A	12	75
6 B	7	72
8 A	8	83
8 B	10	81
9 A	6	90
9 B	7	86
10 A	7	70
10 B	10	86
11 A	15	80
11 B	7	90
Normal	10	80
Bible Class	20	67

Perfect Attendance.

The following teachers and pupils have perfect attendance, October 15 to November 12 inclusive:

Course B—Annabelle Rosborough, Janice Troxell, Eleanor Wolf.

Course 3—Mrs. C. F. Sackett, Jean Troxell, Wyatt Rosborough, Martha Detweiler.

Course 5 A—Miss Elizabeth Zebley, David Conner, Donald Thompson, Salome Riegner.

Course 5 B—Miss H. Lambert, George Thompson, Richard Gregg.

Course 6 A—Miss Helen Fulton, Adelaide Wright, Virginia Eahler.

Course 6 B—Mrs. G. Y. Edwards, Frank Musselman, Walter Rile.

Course 8 A—Jeannette Walker, Josephine Geopp.

Course 8 B—Mrs. L. H. Riegner, Charles Barclay, Jack Seymour, William Witte, Robert Schneider, Fred Hipple.

Course 9 A—Mrs. A. L. Eyster, Edith Seymour, Amy Pearce, Katherine Haines, Helen Smith.

Course 9 B—George L. Riegner, Philip Goepp.

Course 10 A—Elma Krekell, Claire Williams.

Course 10 B—Jack Wolf, Bevis Schneider, William Gregg, Thomas Freeman, Joseph Rees, Asa Dickinson.

Course 11 A—Miss Hamilton, Elizabeth Beath, Janet Lewis, Laurentina Moreno, Eleanor Corliss, Harriet Tobin, Dorothy Wolf.

Course 11 B—Mr. U. G. Beath, Richard Zebley, Ralph Eyster, Danforth Walker, Harry Seymour, Harold Hoffer.

Normal—Miss Irene Neumann, Eleanor Wignall, Margaret Williams, Elisabeth Eyer.

Bible Class—Mr. R. A. Hershey, Thomas Holloway, Allyn Bradford, Bruce McHenry, Wilfred Seymour.



THE BOY

You can do anything with boys, but you can do nothing for them.

Unless a boy is given something to do to express his religion, it will mean very little to him.

Every virile boy will respond to a worth-while task.

If a boy is trained to serve his Master during the "teen" ages, he will probably desire to serve Him for the rest of his life.

If he is not trained to serve, he will probably, and often does, become indifferent to organized religion.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

One of the problems facing the work of the Church in our own Diocese is the fact that out of 66,000 communicants only 22,000 are helping to extend Christ's Kingdom!

In other words, where are the 44,000 who ought to share in the mission work of our Church?

Other Dioceses report the same condition.

What is the reason?

What is the remedy?

The reason—it is very simple—lack of interest and no definite knowledge of our missions and the devoted men and women who are fulfilling the Master's command to "Go into all the world!"

The remedy: Subscribe to the Spirit of Missions and read it regularly. It gives a marvelous picture of our mission work everywhere.

Then "The Living Church," "The Churchman" or "The Witness" keeps one in touch with all phases of Church life.

In a short time the readers would realize what a glorious privilege it is to be a member of Christ's Body—the Church! Join a mission study class. This year the topic is "The American Mission of the Church!" Attend missionary meetings. Anyone hearing the splendid addresses at the all-day meeting at Holy Trinity Church on November 9 would instantly realize the importance of it all!

When men and women *know* they will help!

The women of St. Philip's branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council held their meeting on October 30.

Reports were made from the different branches of mission work.

The Church Periodical Club during October sent 110 Hymnals to three missions, 200 magazines to the Rush Hospital, this city; 25 sheets of music to a mission in Arkansas. The Periodical Club in this Diocese provides reading matter for children and adults in a mission at Ivanhoe, Va., and for children at Towels, Va.. Also new books for the Dubose Training School at Monteagle, Tenn. The Indian work in the Diocese of Duluth is going forward under the

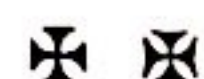
splendid leadership of Bishop Bennett.

The work of the other committees is well under way and will be reported next month.

There are signs of encouragement all along the line.

The fields are white, already to harvest. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into His harvest.

St. Philip's share in the United Thank Offering, presented at Portland, was over \$600, not \$300, as reported last month.—M. B.



BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW

Minute adopted by St. Philip's Chapel, November 10, 1922:

It is with sincere regret, and a deep sense of personal loss, St. Philip's Chapter, Brotherhood of St. Andrew, notes the withdrawal from the Chapter and Parish, of Mr. Edmund B. McCarthy, many years Director of this Chapter.

Mr. McCarthy as a member, and as Director has been ever faithful, and an inspiration to all associated with him. Words cannot express the service he has rendered to the Parish, nor measure the loss the Parish has sustained.



CZECHO-SLOVAKIA

The newly-made country of Czecho-Slovakia has a National Church. Probably 90 per cent. of the population in 1918 were counted as Roman Catholics. Since then, according to conservative estimate, two millions of people have abandoned the Roman Church. "In one community of 10,000, only 700 remain Roman Catholic; in another of 1200, only 24. The New National Church cannot number less than half a million." A number of priests withdrew from the Roman obedience, three were elected by votes of the Parishes to be bishops, one of whom, Dr. Pavlik, has been consecrated by the Patriarch of Yugoslavia, assisted by other bishops, as the first bishop of the Czecho-Slovak Church. This Church is in union with the Serbian Church, and has accepted the dogmas of the Eastern Orthodox Church.

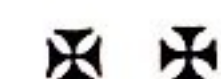
THE KING'S BUSINESS

IMPORTANT

The following numbers of weekly envelopes are being regularly used, but in some cases the names of the users have not been recorded.

Will users please notify Mr. Russell Bement, care of Parish House, immediately, or write their names on their envelopes, so that the Records may be complete

2	39	82	130	166	229	250	271
14	50	88	131	168	231	257	273
15	72	89	132	175	234	264	278
18	75	100	140	209	237	267	284
20	76	116	149	211	240	268	289
22	78	117	161	222	248	269	299
29	80	120	164	226	249	270	300



THE CHURCH'S PROGRAM FOR 1923

The time has come for our Annual Canvass for funds in order that we may know how much work it will be possible for us to do next year.

Our needs are—

For the Parish, approximately \$10,000.

For Church work outside the Parish, \$5205.41.

That latter sum is our assigned "Quota" of the \$797,568.20 required by the Diocese for the next year.

The General Church Budget for Maintenance in 1923

is\$4,000,000.00

The General Church Budget for Forward Work in 1923

is 2,000,000.00

Pennsylvania's Quota of This is 470,000.00

Our Own Diocesan Budget for Maintenance is..... \$201,971.71

Our Own Diocesan Budget for Forward Work is..... 125,596.49

\$327,568.20

Total needed by Diocese for General and Diocesan Work \$797,568.20

The \$5200 for which we are asked

will be applied, it is hoped, to some specific objects within the Diocese and beyond, which are included in the Budget.

Due notice will be given as soon as the list of objects is prepared.



FOR YOUR ATTENTION

The Executive Office reports that of the \$6093.93 asked of St. Philip's this year for Diocesan and General Church work, only \$2742.02 has been received by October 31.

This leaves a balance of \$3351.01 which should be forthcoming before December 31. Part of this will be received through your contributions during the next month, part by your Thanksgiving offering, but a large amount will still be needed.

It is almost the first time for several years that our Parish has been in this condition. Other Parishes are doubtless similarly situated, for the Diocese faces a deficit of \$100,000 this year *unless* the Parishes contribute what is expected from them.

Our deficit is largely caused by non-regularity in the use of envelopes. Many parishioners forget their subscriptions during the summer for instance. Others seem to use envelopes only when they attend Church service.

Envelopes are intended to be used *each* week by *each* person, who should remit by mail if prevented from attending Church.

Will you all please reflect and see if you owe any of this \$3351.01 and if so, remit at once?

The Rector is asked to solicit special contributions from this Parish towards the \$100,000 referred to above, but desires to add no additional burden to those who have given regularly and liberally during the year.

If those who have given nothing, will give now; if those who have given little will give more,—a special appeal may be avoided.

GLEANINGS

GLEANINGS BY A LAYMAN

"Some amazing information regarding the Bible was recently brought to light in a test made at the Nebraska State Boys' Camp. If doubt lingers in the mind of anyone as to the place which the Bible occupies in the average young person of today, he needs only to study the results of this inquiry, which consisted of a series of 38 Bible questions propounded to this group of high school boys, representing 46 Nebraska communities, to be convinced. Here are three simple questions that any high school youth might reasonably be expected to answer:

1. Why do we celebrate Easter?
2. Who betrayed Jesus?
3. Name the parents of Jesus.

"Only 77 per cent. of the boys were able to answer the first question; 51 per cent. correctly to the second; and 55 per cent. to the third. Peter, Moses and even David were accused by these youthful theologians of the betrayal of Jesus. The parents of Jesus, according to several, were "Mary and John;" others said "Jacob and Mary;" "Ruth and James;" "Mary Magdalene and Moses."

4. "The number of books in the Bible, according to these boys, ranged from 39 to 142, only 20 per cent. answered correctly. Moses was given credit for building the ark, others said Jonah was the architect. Many remembered the author, but spelled his name "Noa." 5. Only one in ten could tell the number of people entering the Ark. The answers varying from 2 to 300.

6. "One boy asserted that Nazareth was noted for destroying the Temple. 7. The Lord's Prayer, according to one of the boys, is found in the "Book of Paul," another said in "the 23d Psalm." 8. One lad, evidently thinking of the Pentateuch, said the Beatitudes are the first five books in the Bible. 8. Beer-sheba was defined as the "king who saw the writing on the wall;" "a race of people in Asia;" "a queen who came from Spain;" "a king and wicked man;" "a queen of Sheeba;" "the mother of Solomon." 10. The question, "Where did we

get the Ten Commandments" brought the replies, "Christ gave them to His Disciples;" "from the Sermon on the Mount;" "in the Psalms;" and "we got them from an arc."

"Who, you ask, were these boys who betrayed such astounding ignorance of the Bible? Were they from the slums of Omaha or the sand-hills of Western Nebraska where churches are few and far between? On the contrary they were from the best homes of the average community. Eighty-eight per cent. of them are regular attendants at Sunday School and 82 per cent. church members; 84 per cent. expect to go to College and 70 per cent. have decided upon their life-work. If these lads from our best homes, leaders in their schools and communities, have so little real knowledge of the Bible, what may be said of the great mass of young people? And it is well to remember in this connection, that investigations made during the war in both the American and British armies showed that about 80 per cent. of the men in the service were not members of any church—Protestant or Catholic.



BIBLE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

President Harding suggests that the week of December 3-9 be spent in considering *the need of Education*.

The extracts herewith stress the importance of *Religious Education*. "Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" these "gleanings."

"Green, the great English historian, tells us that 300 years ago the English people were a people of one book, the Bible, and it was because they found there the teachings of religious and political liberty that many of them migrated to the New World to find there this freedom which the Bible taught. Gladstone, the great English statesman, once said "I have known 100 great men of the world in my time and 87 of them have been intimate students of the Bible." General Pershing, in a statement to the

soldiers during the World war, said "Hardship will be your lot, but trust in God will give you comfort; temptation will befall you, but the teachings of our Savior will give you strength. Let your valor as a soldier and your conduct as a man be an inspiration to your comrades and an honor to your country," President Roosevelt paid the following tribute to the Bible, "To every man who faces life with real desire to do his part in everything, I appeal for a study of the Bible. No book of any kind ever written has so affected the whole life of a people."

"If it be true, as we have been taught from childhood, that the Bible is the greatest book in the world and is the basis of morality and character, what may we then expect of the individual or the nation that habitually neglects it?

"If any further incentive is needed, meditate upon the statement of William Lyon Phelps, Professor of English Literature at Yale—"I thoroughly believe in a university education for both men and women; but I believe a knowledge of the Bible without a college course is more valuable than a college course without the Bible."—*Association Men*.

"Keep in mind that the Bible is the Word of God. It is an inspired book, and yet it contains a human element because it was written by men. It contains the most beautiful literature, its stories "have become the prized possession of the children of every race." Its poetry, its eloquence, its wonderful characters and personalities, its love stories, its messages and teachings for every condition in life furnish an unlimited source from which to draw.

"For centuries the Bible has stood as the revelation of the life and will of God. For centuries and millenniums yet to come it will endure, as the priceless possession of the race, the inspiration of all holy living, the imperishable record of the human life of God, and the divine possibilities of man. From generation to generation it is destined to guide the Church and inspire the nations. In every age new light will break from its pages. Searching study will only reveal deeper

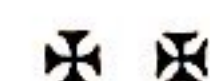
levels of truth and richer treasures of knowledge."—From *"Sunday School Management."*

"This book, which has so greatly influenced the lives of great men and nations, is today an unused and unread book. It has been laid aside on the family centre table to gather dust. If we look for reasons we find three, at least, that would seem to be almost self-evident:

"First: All religious instruction and study of the Bible has been taken from our public schools.

"Second: The American home has broken down as a fundamental religious institution and today it does not function in this particular. The Bible is not read in the home. Family worship is a relic of the past that has fallen into disuse.

"Third: The super-abundance of amusements and light reading has put the Bible on the shelf. By the time the young man, or woman, has perused the morning and evening editions of the daily paper, gone carefully through the Sunday editions, read a few of the current magazines, kept up to date on the "movies" and other modern amusements, there is little time left for any serious reading of the world's great literature, poetry, history or fiction—and the Bible is completely out of the running.



It is unfortunate when a Pastor fails in the performance of his duties; but it is infinitely more unfortunate when members of the congregation fail in the performance of their duties. For the Church is not the Pastor, but the people. A Church can flourish, and in many cases does flourish in spite of the deficiencies of the Pastor; but it can not grow with a congregation of slackers, no matter how able the Minister may be. Besides, a Minister may be easily replaced by another, but a congregation cannot be so changed. Therefore, a Church is usually judged more correctly by its congregation, not by its Minister. As a rule, the success or failure of a parish is traced to the men and women within the Parish.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

Dear Young People:

I do not remember when I have attended a meeting which gave me greater pleasure than the meeting of Y. P. S. I was privileged to attend on the second Sunday evening in November.

I congratulate you on your organization, your officers, and the scope as well as the spirit of the Society. It promises well for the future of the Church, and the Parish.

The discussion on "Consolidation" was thoughtful, serious, fair-minded. It looked more into the future than in the past or even the present. It was helpful to me.

I wish you "good luck in the Name of the Lord."—F. E. S.



BISHOP'S BRICKS FUND

The missionary side of your weekly envelopes, during December, will be given to the Bishop's Bricks Fund, which helps to build new missions or Church buildings in the Diocese, and so assists the Parish in meeting its "Quota" for the Church's Program.

Besides the regular weekly amount, you may be able to add a little in that right-hand pocket, for this cause.

You may be able to sell "Church Calendars" at a profit of ten cents each, which will swell the Fund. Every brick counts. Let each one try to get at least ten ten-cent bricks.



MINISTERS

On December 20, 22 and 23 the Church suggests that we think about and pray for the Ministry.

Will you pray that the Holy Spirit may lead some one in this Parish to "fit and prepare" for the work of the Ministry—perhaps YOU?



CAN YOU ANSWER THESE?

Read over "Gleanings by a Layman" on page 10. Can you do better than those Nebraska boys? Try the ten questions for this month and send in your answers before December 15.

ANSWERS

Perhaps all of you think "Let George do it." He *has* done it—again. George Riegner, Course 9, answered last month's questions correctly as follows:

1. Jackson Kemper—Bishop of the Northwest, Founded Churches in Minn., Mo., and Wis., also schools in Wis. (He was consecrated Bishop in St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, in 1835.—Ed.)
2. David Livingstone—noted Missionary and explorer in Africa.
3. Jonathan, I Sam. 20:35-42.
4. Saul of Tarsus, Acts 9:25.



THINK OF THIS

Look at the "Inasmuch" appeals on page 6.

Your Thanksgiving envelope helps the first.

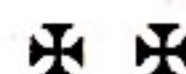
Your Christmas envelope helps the second.

A special offering will be taken for the third.

Don't forget to send a Christmas card to our French Orphan, Luciene Benard.



The Young People's Society is furnishing a missionary box as part of the Church School Service League work for a colored mission in Tallahassee, Fla.



ARMOUR-PLATED BOYS

It is important in these days that there should be armour-plated boys. A boy needs to be ironclad on—

His lips—against profanity.
His ears—against impure words.
His hands—against wrong doing.
His heart—against going with bad company.

His eyes—against dangerous books and pictures.

His pocket—against dishonest money.
His tongue—against evil speaking.

The Christian armour on her citizens gives more security to the nation than all the armor plates that are on her ships.
—*Christian Guardian*.

AT AN EARLY EUCHARIST

Dear Lord, who in this sacrament divine,
Beneath the elements of bread and wine,
Art present wondrously.

Who o'er the earth and highest heaven
dost reign—
Lord God omnipotent—yet Thou dost
deign
To give Thyself to me!

Oh, with the Heavenly Manna make me
whole,
Come, blessed Jesus, to my sin-sick soul!
Prostrate, I worship Thee.

To Thee, by seers and prophets long fore-
told,
The shepherds brought a spotless lamb of
old,
At Thy Nativity.

And wise men brought Thee gifts beyond
compare.
I have no golden crown, no perfumes rare,
To offer unto Thee.

I am unworthy, Jesus, to draw nigh,
But Thou didst heed the dying thief's last
cry:
Hide not Thy face from me!

My heart I give to Thee, O Lord, my God!
I pray Thee, guide me with Thy staff and
rod
That I may follow Thee

In prayer, and sacrifice, and earthly loss,
In weariness beneath a heavy cross,
For love, dear Lord, of Thee.
—Harriet Appleton Sprague in *The Living Church*.



ADD THESE TO YOUR CHRISTMAS LIST

"Story of Mankind," Van Loon.
"Story of the Bible," Van Loon (ser-
ially in *McCall's Magazine*).
"Belief in God," Gore.
"Belief in Christ," Gore.

PRAYER BOOK COLLECTS AND PSYCHOLOGY

The Power of the Spirit—Lent I,
Trinity XIX.

Beauty and Health—Transfiguration,
Trinity XXI.

Imagination—Easter Day, Ascension
Day.

The Will—Trinity I, Sunday next be-
fore Advent.

Reason and Culture—S. Mark's Day,
Advent II.

Temperament and Passion—Easter II
and Easter IV.

The Emotions—Circumcision, Trinity
XIV.

Law of Contrast—Christmas (first
service), Trinity II.

Hypochondria—Whitsunday, Quinqua-
gesima.

Truth and Nature—Trinity Sunday,
Thanksgiving Day.

Summary—St. Luke's Day, Innocents'
Day.



Prof. Samuel L. Joshi, Ph. D., Pro-
fessor of Literature in the University of
Bombay, and exchange Professor at the
University of Nebraska, bringing greet-
ings of the Bishop of Bombay and the
Church of India, to the Church in
America, said "The Mission of India in
the world has always been to keep alive
the apprehension of spiritual truths.
She is finding in Christianity the realiza-
tion of her ideals. Four and a half mil-
lions of her 350 millions are Christians."



We close the year and lay it back
among the years of God, not daring, not
caring, to ask whether it has been good
or bad, only praying that out of it may
come a sweeter prophecy, and a dearer
gladness and a profounder joy in the
march of the years that are yet to be—
first here and then in the complete life
of the eternal home.—*Phillips Brooks*.

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FEBRUARY, 1923

Rector:

Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
11.00 A. M. Morning Service, (First and Third Sundays
Holy Communion)
7.45 P. M. Evening Service

Thursdays
and
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M. Holy Communion

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CHURCH SCHOOL

Sundays, 9.45 A. M.
Fridays, 4.00 P. M. (Church School Service League).

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CHURCH CALENDAR

February.

2—Presentation of Christ.
4—Sexagesima Sunday.
11—Quinquagesima Sunday.
14—ASH WEDNESDAY. (Strict Fast.)
18—First Sunday in Lent.
24—St. Matthias' Day.
25—Second Sunday in Lent.

March.

4—Third Sunday in Lent.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptism.

January 6—Grace Elizabeth Faulkner.
January 18—Emily Townsend Mc-
Curdy.

Communicants Transferred.

January 1—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence B.
Clafin to All Saints' Church, Wynne-
wood, Pa.



ALTAR GUILD

The flowers for the Altar are supplied
as follows:

February—

First Sunday, Miss M. G. Delany.
Second Sunday, ———
Third Sunday—Mrs. F. G. Long.
Fourth Sunday, Mrs. E. H. Ferree.

March—

First Sunday, Mrs. E. H. Williamson.
Second Sunday, Mrs. T. B. Starling.
Third Sunday, ———
Fourth Sunday, Mrs. H. McKnight
Moore.

If any one desires to select the open
Sundays as a Memorial, please advise
the Altar Guild.



SPECIAL NOTICE

Boy Scout Service, Sunday, Febru-
ary 11, 7.45 P. M.

PARISH CALENDAR

Weekly Meetings.

Mondays—Church School Service
League, 4 P. M.; Church Normal School,
7.30 P. M.

Tuesdays—Mothers' Meeting, 8 P. M.

Fridays—Church School Service
League, 4 P. M.. Boy Scouts, Troop 241,
7.30 P. M.

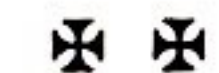
Monthly Meetings.

February 9—Brotherhood of St. An-
drew, 8 P. M.

February 14—Women's Guild, 3 P. M.

February 26—Woman's Auxiliary, 2.30
P. M.

February 27—Vestry Meeting, 8.15
P. M.



LENTEN SERVICES

Details will be given on special folder.
Ash Wednesday, February 14:

7.30—Holy Communion.

9.30—Morning Prayer, Litany.

10.00—Holy Communion.

4.30—Children's Service.

8.00—Evening Service.

Tuesdays, 7.30 A. M.—Holy Commu-
nion.

Tuesdays, 4.30 P. M.—Evening Prayer.

Wednesdays, 8.00 P. M.—Evening Serv-
ice.

Thursdays, 9.30 A. M.—Holy Commu-
nion.

Fridays, 4.30 P. M.—Children's Service.



THE HIDDEN LIFE

"Resolutely to shut out at times the
material and the temporal, to open our
whole being to the inward and the spir-
itual, is to experience while the mood re-
mains an unspeakable rest, an assurance
of the close presence and perfect sym-
pathy of the hidden Immanent Father."

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

Sexagesima. *Activity*. St. Matt. 4: 17-25; 14-30; Isa. 32: 1-20; Eph. 4: 1-16; I Cor. 3; S. Lu. 11: 14-27; S. Jn. 21: 15-24.

Stir up, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the wills of Thy faithful people, that they plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by Thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Quinquagesima. *Love*. I Cor. 13; S. Jn. 3: 1-21; I St. Jn. 2: 1-29.

O God, we have known and believed the love that Thou hast for us. May we, by dwelling in love, dwell in Thee, and Thou in us. May we learn to love Thee Whom we have not seen, by loving brethren whom we have seen. Teach us, O Heavenly Father, the love wherewith Thou has loved us; fashion us, O blessed Lord, after Thine own example of love; shed abroad, O Thou Holy Spirit of Love, the love of God and man in our hearts. Amen.

Ash Wednesday. *Discipline*, St. Matt. 4; St. Matt. 6:1-21; Phil. 3; Heb. 12.

O Lord Jesus Christ, give us grace so to fix our eyes during this season on Thy most pure and holy life, that we may learn our own impurity and sin and seek in all humility to be conformed to Thy will and to be made like unto Thee, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost we adore as One God, world without end. Amen.



ACT OF WILL

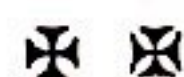
"With one strong act of the will, withdraw from outward things into the secrets of His Presence, and then you shall see sins of thought and desire fade as bacilli of disease wither and perish in strong sunlight."

First Week in Lent. *Humility*. St. Matt. 20:17-34; Prov. 25; St. Lu. 18:9-14; St. Jn. 13:1-17; St. Lu. 14:7-11; II Cor. 12:5-10; St. Lu. 22:24-30.

Almighty God, Who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Second Week in Lent. *Christian Motive*. St. Jn. 10; St. Matt. 6:21-34; Phil. 2; I Cor. 13; I St. Jn. 4; Rev. 21; St. Jn. 12:44-50.

Let Thy Spirit, O Lord, come into the midst of us, and, washing us with the pure water of repentance, prepare us to be always a living sacrifice unto Thee, Who livest and reignest over world without end. Amen.



THE QUIET PLACE

In each heart is a quiet place where only God speaks. It is the place of creation. Each man who would seek God shall find him here, in his own heart.

Let him approach with faith and knock with hope; then shall he open unto himself, and he and his God shall speak one with another. This is prayer. This is true communion with God.

"The Lord is in His holy temple. Let all the earth keep silence before him." You are the temple. Your wayward thoughts must learn to keep silence where your soul worships its God. Still them with persistent commands, and heed them not.—*Selected*.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

The waters of our parochial life have, of late, been somewhat ruffled, caused by the tide of progress, the winds of conservatism and the cross currents of preference and policy.

The crisis is past.

We must all get back to work as quickly and as zealously as we can.

There is much to do.

The numbers of people in the community must be reached and invited to Church.

The income of the Church must be greatly increased.

Let us have definite objectives, such as:

For organizations: An increase in numbers and an expansion of work. Everyone in the parish working in some way.

For Church attendance: At least 80 per cent. each Sunday; say 350 present every week.

For financial strength: *Every member pledging and contributing regularly and liberally to parish maintenance and to the Church's program.*

Remember, the parish is not the Rector, nor the Vestry, but the People. Its success does not depend on the efforts of the officers, but on the exercise of responsibility of every individual parishioner.

"He gave to *every* man his work." "The people had a mind to work."

Put *your* mind into *your* work. Let each man, woman and child do his proportionate share.

Faithfully yours,

Frederick E. Seymour.

Mrs. Ethel E. Patterson, who has been with us on two occasions before, will hold classes on the Wednesday evenings in Lent, commencing on Ash Wednesday, at 8 P. M. Her subject this year will be "The Practice of the Presence of God, as taught in the Lord's Prayer."

Everyone who attended the class last Lent should bring at least one other person.

Attention is called to the various annual reports in this issue, which make to some extent a Year Book of the Parish.



A Musicales will be given in the Parish House on February 8 at 8.30 by Miss Emelie Sellers, pianist; Miss Josephine Gemberling, violinist, and Miss Anna Adams, soprano. Tickets, 50 cents, for the benefit of the Church School.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The following report of the Sub-committee on Consolidation with St. Mary's was adopted by the Vestry on January 23. Consequently the subject of consolidation is abandoned.

Investigation made by the sub-committee on consolidation with St. Mary's shows that out of a total of 387 registered communicants of St. Philip's Church there are only 170 qualified voters.

This condition is caused by disqualification through lack of registration for a two-year period, or not being 21 years of age, or failure to contribute, according to the records, the sum of \$2.50 per year for two years, under the terms of the present charter.

In addition there are about 50 regular communicants of the Parish who, owing to non-registration, are not qualified to vote under the charter provision.

Under these conditions it is felt that the real consensus of opinion could not, at this time, be obtained either for or against the merger.

The committee is, therefore, of the opinion that it would be inadvisable to take further action looking to a consolidation of the two parishes, though it has found no reason which makes the proposal less wise now, and, ultimately necessary. It still believes that the future welfare of the Parish and the Church would best be served by uniting with St. Mary's, thus forming one strong parish instead of two—each of which, owing to proximity in a congested locality, must necessarily be weak, or thrive only at the expense of the other.

In view of these conditions the committee asked to be relieved from further consideration of the project.

Respectfully submitted to the Vestry,
Russell Bement,
F. J. Pryor, Jr.,
Charles C. Kinney,
A. E. King.

January 12, 1923.



THE VESTRY

Mr. J. Hause Zebley has been appointed Rector's Warden, and Mr. Asa Don Dickinson was elected Vestryman, to fill vacancies caused by the resignations of Mr. E. B. McCarthy and Mr. C. B. Clafin.

REPORT OF ACCOUNTING WARDEN

Income	
Pledges	\$6,297.11
Loose Offerings ..	1,364.17
Subscriptions in lieu of pew rent	1,392.52
Interest from Trustees	1,073.29
Church School	325.48
Special for Deficit.	526.88
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	\$10,979.45
Disbursements	
Rector	\$4,000.00
Music and Choir ..	2,930.00
Sexton	960.00
Laundry	75.00
Repairs, Church ..	362.00
Repairs, Rectory ..	67.13
Light and Power..	190.78
Heat	125.75
Insurance	127.50
Church School ...	294.30
St. Philip's Record	251.55
Publicity	149.13
Miscellaneous	1,136.92
Water Rent for Church	37.00
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	\$10,707.06
Balance on Hand	\$272.39

A CHALLENGE
WILL YOU BE ONE OF A
HUNDRED?

The following is a portion of a letter recently received from one of the men of the Parish. Think it over. Act upon the suggestion:

"If you can get 99 others to contribute to an endowment fund, I agree to be the hundredth, and will take an even share with the others for any amount from \$100 to \$3000. . . .

"Should there not be men enough who think they can spare the money, there might be women in the Parish who would like to join the movement.

"There is no reason why this cannot be successfully done, even if it does look like a big job."

Why not start a drive?

The man who says "it can't be done" is usually overtaken by the man who has done it."

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Our French orphan sends us her greeting translated as follows:

December 19, 1922.

My Dear Godmother:

For the new year 1923, I send you my best wishes for a Happy New Year, as well as my grandmother, being always grateful for all your kindnesses.

Receive, dear godmother, our best souvenirs.

LUCIENE BENARD.



ATTENDANCE

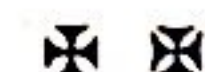
The publication of our interesting Financial Report takes the space of the usual report of class and individual attendance.

Let us try to have a 90 per cent. attendance at Church School, especially during Lent. That means about 150 present every Sunday.

Will YOU be responsible for every member of YOUR class?

Be sure, also, to be punctual. Tardiness is usually inexcusable; it is distressing to the teachers; it disturbs the discipline in the School.

Our School commences at 9.45 A. M.



Financial Report for 1922.

The following sums have been expended:

In Parish:

For Maintenance	\$297.44
"Selling the Year"	2.50
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	\$299.94

In Community:

Western Temp. Home	\$15.00
Phila. S. S. Asso.	5.00
College Settlement	10.00
St. Monica's Outing	10.00
Christmas Dinners	10.00
House of Industry	7.42
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	\$57.42

In Diocese:

Advent Offering, 1921.....	\$10.40
Advent Offering, 1922.....	15.63
Bishop's Brick Fund	46.04
House of Rest	10.00
Episcopal Hospital	7.11
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	\$89.18

In Nation:

Christ School, Arden, N. C...	\$15.00
Birthday Thank Offering	8.86
Hospital, Phoenix, Ariz.....	10.00
Indians, So. Dakota	10.00
Missionary Bishop	10.00
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	\$53.81

In World:

Russian Relief	\$27.67
Russian Orphan	13.50
Near East Relief	23.92
French Orphan	41.00
Hooker School, Mexico	10.00
S. Andrew's Hospital, Wusih, China	10.00
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	\$126.09

General Missions:

Lenten Offering	\$521.65
Weekly Offering	63.10
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	\$584.75

Bishop Rowe Foundation	\$50.00
Altar Cross for Shoshone Mission, Wyo.	46.34
Expenses of Delegates to Wesley Conf.	100.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	26.00
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	\$1433.38

Balance on hand:

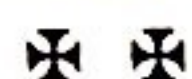
French Orphan Account	\$26.27
Birthday Thank Offering ...	6.61
Loose Offering	24.73
Rebuilding Fund	22.60

"THE WOMEN'S GUILD"

It is very gratifying to the members of "The Women's Guild" to be able to tell the friends in the Parish that the amount hoped to be raised by the plan of "The Sale of the Year" has been more than realized, \$1000.60 in all. It is more than gratifying that the money was raised through the good will, and the interest taken in the work by "The Friends."

The January meeting was the annual meeting; the same officers of the past year were re-elected for the coming year. This was also the time for paying the annual dues of \$1 and any member not present may give her money to the treasurer, Miss Bussom.

M. W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY OF THE WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild, during the year 1922 held eight regular meetings and one Executive Committee meeting. There has been an average attendance of 20 members. Seven new members have joined.

There were five all-day meetings for sewing. At these meetings new curtains for the platform in the Church School were made; the sewing needs of the Choir were attended to; work was done on the Supply Bureau sewing. The Guild helped the Red Cross in its needs and later renewed its enrollment. We were asked to join the Cathedral League, to attend the Mission Study Class and to assist Miss Ashburner with her Rumage Sale.

The Personal Effort brought splendid returns. At the Pure Food Supper there was a sale of useful and fancy articles. The "Sale Table" at the monthly meeting has been of worthy financial assistance. As each family in the Parish was asked by letter to help with "the Sale of the Year," the receipts were very remarkable. The work of the Guild has been very encouraging and the members show great interest in the activities and needs of the Parish.

Very truly,
EVA W. CODMAN,
Recording Secretary.

January 10, 1923.

Treasurer's Annual Report, January 10, 1923.

RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand Jan. 11	\$94.60
Dues	56.00
Personal Effort	201.11
Pure Food Supper ...	108.27
Receptits from Sales ..	86.58
"Sale of Year"	974.65*
Interest on Deposit ...	2.52
Total	\$1523.73

DISBURSEMENTS

Choir Vestments	\$23.03
Material for Sewing and Sales	33.08
Electric Iron and Hot Point Repairs	8.25
Curtain for Stage	37.35
Corresponding Sec. ...	6.60
Pure Food Supper	19.00
Benevolent Section	125.00
Church Warden for Hymnals	10.00
Guild at Crystal Springs	1.00
Stamps and Stationery for Sale of Years ..	6.00
Silver Polish and expressage	19.75
Church Warden for Repairs	400.00
Flowers	49.65
Christmas	17.00
Personal Effort and Annual Meeting Teas ..	14.67
Total	\$770.40
Balance in Bank, Jan. 10	753.33
Total	\$1523.73

M. ELIZABETH BUSSOM, Treas.

*Subsequent subscriptions for "Selling the Year" make the total \$1000.65.

NOTE—It is not too late to send in your contribution of any amount. It will be greatly appreciated by the Guild.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

Diocesan Objects

Polish Work	\$110.00
St. Martha's House	5.00
Deaconess Training School	10.00
Italian Work	10.00
Jewish Work	35.00
Seamans' Church Institute, Rev. Gassner Memorial	10.00
Christmas Stockings	10.00
Budget for Auxiliary (one-fourth year payment	12.50
Total	\$202.50
Delegates' Dues	\$19.00
Total	\$221.50

Domestic Objects

Christ School, Arden, N. C. ..	\$15.00
St. Mark's Guild, Anamosa, Iowa	1.00
St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville	10.00
St. Paul's Church, Inwood ...	15.00
Bishop Payne Dormitory School	35.00
Archdeacon Zeigler	5.00
Mrs. G. Livingston Bishop's Memorial (Grace Hospital, Morgantown, N. C.)	200.00
General Colored Work	15.00
Church Holy Comforter, Crescent City, Fla.	5.00
All Saints' Church, Norton, S. W. Va.	25.00
Total	\$326.00

Church Periodical Club	\$20.00
Bishop Rowe Foundation Funds	60.00

Total

Foreign Objects	
Materials from Supply Bureau	\$98.95
St. Paul's Library, Tokio, Japan	20.00
General Toward Foreign Pledges	18.00
Educating Two Japanese Girls	5.00
Boone University, Wuchang, China	10.00
Divinity School, Porto Rico. ...	7.00
Scholarship in Guantanamo, Cuba	5.00
Total	\$65.00
Total Expended in 1922	\$791.45

MOTHERS' MEETING

Our Christmas entertainment, which was held January 2, was pronounced by all a great success, although owing to sickness and other reasons seven or eight of our members were not present. (We have had a good attendance all Fall.)

Mr. Seymour was with us and gave us a helpful talk, telling us to read the scriptures and to follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, not to be led away by all the new thoughts of the times. All enjoyed singing the old Christmas carols.

Mr. and Mrs. George Claghorn played and sang and Miss Jane Hill gave two piano selections. Mrs. Claghorn read "The Story of Good King Wenceslas" and a selection from "The Real Diary of a Real Boy," which last amused everyone immensely.

We had Christmas decorations of red and green and served ice cream and fancy cakes.

Each member of the meeting received a calendar, card and Christmas box of candy. Our young members were presented with a little gift, for regular attendance. Several visitors were present; we are always glad to welcome them.

Our meetings are held in the Parish House on Tuesday evenings at 8 o'clock.

Miss Ashburner thanks the Women's Guild and individual friends who have generously helped us.

S. W. B.



LENTEN READING

A Book of Instruction for Church People, Carey.

Have You Understood Christianity?—Carey.

The Episcopal Church, Atwater.

Spiritual Energies, R. Jones.

Belief in God, Gore.

Belief in Christ, Gore.

What a Churchman Ought to Know, Wilson.

Life of Christ, Paterson Smyth.

Book of Prayers, Page.

FINANCIAL PROSPECTS FOR 1923

Our estimated Budget for Parish Maintenance is \$13,000.

Pledges received to January 15,
total \$4691.20

Subscriptions in lieu
of pew rents 1450.00

Expected from loose
offering 1250.00

Income from endow-
ment 1073.00 8464.20

Additional amount needed..... \$4535.80

The appended tabulation shows an average pledge of 57 cents per week per contributor from 157 persons.

2	pledge \$10.00 per week	\$20.00
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6	" .40 " " " " " " "	2.40
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4	" .20 " " " " " " "80
3	" .15 " " " " " " "45
24	" .10 " " " " " " "	2.40
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Weekly \$89.35

Per year 4,646.20

2 yearly pledges amounting to. 45.00

157 \$4,691.20

(or \$29.88 per pledge per year, or 57 cents per pledge per week).

At this average, we need, to meet parochial requirements, 405 pledges.

We need additional pledges amounting to \$5786.

We must more than double the number of subscribers at present average, OR We must double the amount pledged.

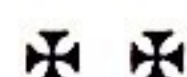
At present we have, as above stated, a prospective income of about \$8500 including expected loose offering.

It may be necessary to include every possible source of income (such as loose offering, in figuring a budget), but it is not wise, as it makes no allowance for growth and advance—unless that is provided for adequately in the budget.

Maintenance charges should all be fully subscribed.

Total pledges for 1923 to Jan.

15 \$4691.20
Total pledges paid in 1922 .. 6297.11



OUR PART IN THE CHURCH'S PROGRAM

Thus far, we have received 140 pledges for "Missions and Assessments."

These total \$2698.96, or \$19.28 per year or 37 cents per week per subscription.

Our quota is \$5205.41.

Our contributions to the Church's Program in 1922:

Our quota was \$6093.93, we contributed \$5365.0; our shortage \$728.03.

In 1921 we gave \$5299.07, so that, while falling short of the desired amount for 1922, we actually increased our giving \$66.83.

Much is said in this issue about finances. It is not said in any spirit of complaint, blame or criticism, but simply for information.

Church finances have never been regarded fairly in the past, either in the general Church, or in the Parish. Our contributions have too often been considered optional, instead of obligatory. We have expected the comforts of a well-furnished Church, forgetting that comforts have become increasingly expensive.

When Church people everywhere realize the situation, as a business matter, Church finances will be liberally supplied by Church members.

I AM CALLING YOU

I am the best friend of mankind. To the man who prizes sanity, peacefulness, pure-mindedness, social standing and longevity, I am a necessity.

I am hung about with sweet memories—memories of brides—memories of mothers—memories of boys and girls—memories of the aged as they grope their way down the shadows.

I am decked with loving tears—crowned by loving hands and hearts.

In the minds of the greatest men on earth, I find a constant dwelling place.

I live in the lives of the young and in the dreams of the old.

I safeguard man through all his paths—from the first hour life's sun slants upon his footprints until the purple gathers in the west and the darkness falls.

I lift up the fallen. I strengthen the weak. I help the distressed. I show mercy, bestow kindness and offer a friendly hand to the man in fine linen and the man in homespun.

I am the essence of good fellowship, friendliness and love.

I give gifts that gold cannot buy, nor kings take away. They are given freely to all that ask.

I bring back the freshness of life, the eagerness, the spirit of youth which feels that it has something to live for ahead.

I meet you with outstretched arms and with songs of gladness.

Some time—some day—some hour—in the near or far future, you will yearn for the touch of my friendly hand.

I am your comforter and best friend.

I am calling you!

I AM THE CHURCH

"To be acquainted with Thee is perfect righteousness, And to know Thy dominion is the root of immortality." Wis. 15:3.

LENT

Adequate retirement from even the most desirable of occupations is universally acknowledged as productive of power for greater service. Thus the Church has wisely and graciously provided for our spiritual revival in giving us the season of Lent. If Lent be well kept, we will emerge from the 40 days empowered and enriched, possessed of a deeper realization of our Lord's nearness and of a clearer vision of our mission as His followers.

Lent is an individual privilege; it is correspondingly an individual responsibility. Let us solemnly consider the opportunities that lie before us during the six weeks of Lent whereby we may sanctify ourselves for the sake of greater usefulness in the Kingdom. Let us welcome and embrace these opportunities to become holier, happier and more faithful Christians; daily Eucharists; quiet days and retreats; preaching missions and instruction classes; the discipline of fasting, of self-denial, of personal sacrifice; the provision for our devotional life: prayer, public and private; worship, in secret and in the sanctuary of God's House; aids to meditation, chiefly the Bible, and the manifold books from the treasure-house of religious writing.



Prayer has, by God's covenant of mercy, a spiritual and supernatural blessing. It draws down, as it were, to your aid, Him who proceedeth from the Father and the Son—the Holy Spirit of God and of Christ, the Comforter and Guide of believing souls. Indeed, the very words of the precept which point out prayer as so sure a remedy point out also that it is not always, nor for the most part, an immediate remedy for the evils of life.—*John Keble.*

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

My dear Young People:

You probably are all engaged in some sort of athletics. You are familiar with the discipline necessary for you to "make the team." Your diet and your amusements are to some extent regulated by the "rules of the game." You admit the reasonableness of this.

How about the same thing in Church life?

It is not fair to observe this discipline for school athletics, and to "kick over the traces" when the Church lays upon us the same kind of discipline, for the same kind of purpose, is it?

Our Church does not prescribe details of diet but it does provide methods of discipline and training, particularly in Lent, which are intended to make us better able "to run the race which is set before us."

The symbolism of Lent brings to our mind our Lord's training, through self-discipline.

There is no great merit merely in "giving up" candy and such like during Lent, as a traditional duty, but there is great merit in it as a test in self mastery.

I request you, as your "spiritual coach" to cut down the number of dances, parties, movies, etc., during Lent, not because they are wrong, mind you, but as a part of your training in self mastery, as a Christian. Read up to see how others have become leaders in "Christian athletics." Give more time to the practice of real religion in your own life, your home life, in school and society and in Church Services.

F. E. S.



If thou seest a man of understanding, get thee betimes unto him, And let thy foot wear out the steps of his doors. Eccclus. 6:36.

A lie is a foul blot in a man. It will be continually in the mouth of the ignorant. A thief is better than a man that is continually lying; but they both shall inherit destruction. Eccclus. 20:24, 25.

LENTEN OFFERING

Last year the Church School contributed in their missionary boxes the splendid sum of \$521. Hearty thanks to all the School.

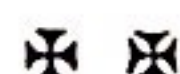
This year we are undertaking the support of a native worker in Alaska for our particular Lenten task.

Last year's offering was an advance of about \$100 over 1921.

With the definite obligation of supporting a particular person, let every member of the School try hard to raise even more than last year's amount.

The Diocese asks the Schools for \$65,000.

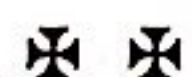
Will you of St. Philip's School raise \$650?



ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

This Department is gaining! Asa Dickinson and David Johnston have joined George Riegner and Jack Seymour. All answered correctly three out of four questions given last month.

The answer on the number of the "wise men" mentioned in the Bible shows the influence of tradition and hymns. David, George and Jack gave the number as three. Look again, boys. St. Matt. 2: 1-11. Asa answered this one properly. Asa suggests a characteristic of "the real boy" from St. Luke 2: 42-50,—thoughtlessness. Look at St. Luke 2: 40 and 52 for the real answer.



TRY THESE

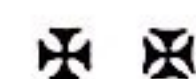
1. What young man went to sleep in Church? (Nothing personal.)
2. What two men were let down into wells?
3. What boy in the Old Testament saved an army from defeat?
4. What boy in the New Testament saved a man from "lynching?"
5. What girl in the New Testament seemed impolite to St. Peter?

"Midnight Movies, 12.01 A. M."

Is it the spirit of law and order which tacks on that minute to the end of Sunday? Such a Sunday may have been kept as a "legal" holiday—but certainly not as the Lord's Day. If the first day of the week were kept as belonging to the Lord, there would be no desire to go to the movies as soon as the clock strikes twelve. If the first day of the week were kept as "made for man" there would be no desire to lessen one's usefulness to employer by decreasing the powers of body and mind through lack of proper sleep.

Does any one, except an idiot, (if idiots do think) think that he is a law-abiding citizen, or a decent Christian by thus evading the spirit, though, indeed, obeying the letter of the law

Such legalistic behavior is at the root of most of our disorders. It is of a piece with "sailing close to the wind," as close as possible, and taking a chance on disaster. A sudden squall will capsize such a life, and "make shipwreck of such a faith."



PLEASE HEED

We are glad to welcome all new-comers to the Parish, whether for one Sunday, or for many.

When you expect to remain in the Parish, and consider St. Philip's as your Church Home—as we hope you will do—the canon of the Church should be obeyed, which requires "communicants removing to another Parish to present their letters of transfer from their former Parish.

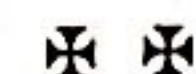
Non-communicants who desire to become affiliated with the Church are asked to consult the Rector regarding Confirmation.

In any case, the Rector would appreciate the name and address of each new-comer.

HOW YOUR 1923 BUDGET DOLLAR FOR MISSIONS AND ASSESSMENTS IS TO BE SPENT

Domestic Missions	37 cts.
Foreign Missions	35 "
Religious Education	4 "
Christian Social Service	1 "
Publicity	3 "
Finance	2 "
Field Department	2 "
Woman's Auxiliary	1 "
General Administration	2 "
Interest on Borrowed Money	1 "
Repayment of Debt	5 "
American Church Institute for Negroes	3 "
Brotherhood of St. Andrew	1 "
Girls' Friendly, Church Periodical Club, Army and Navy Commis- sion, Seaman's Church Insti- tute of America	2 "
Fractions to adjust	1 "
	\$1.00

It is, of course, evident that an exact computation would show a fractional result in each case.



A POSTCARD

When you move to another residence you certainly notify your milkman, paper man, magazine publishers, etc.

Why not include the Rector?

Think what a lot of absolutely unnecessary work a postcard would save! How much more accurate records would be! How much time would be available for other work than hunting up addresses!

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7.45 P. M. Evening Service

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STANDING NOTICES

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CHURCH CALENDAR

March.

4. Third Sunday in Lent.
11. Fourth Sunday in Lent.
18. Fifth (Passion) Sunday in Lent.
25. Sunday next before Easter, (Palm Sunday).
26. Monday before Easter.
27. Tuesday before Easter.
28. Wednesday before Easter.
29. Maundy Thursday.
30. GOOD FRIDAY.
31. Easter Even.

April.

1. EASTER DAY.



PARISH REGISTER

Burials.

January 25—Charlotte A. Coombs.
February 6—Emilie L. Suydam.
February 24—Frank Adamson.

Communicants Received.

February 1—Katherine B. Rosborough,
from Christ Church, Ridley Park.
February 12—Elizabeth Scarborough,
from Church of the Saviour.



ALTAR GUILD

The flowers for the Altar are supplied
as follows:

March—

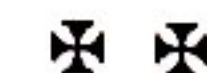
First Sunday, Mrs. E. H. Williamson,
Second Sunday, Mrs. T. B. Starling,
Third Sunday,
Fourth Sunday, Mrs. H. McKnight
Moore

April—

First Sunday, EASTER DAY
Second Sunday,
Third Sunday,
Fourth Sunday,
Fifth Sunday,

If anyone desires to select the open
Sundays as memorials, please advise the
Altar Guild.

Easter decorations are supplied by the
entire parish, contributions being earn-
estly solicited by the Altar Guild.



EASTER DAY.

6.30, 7.30 and 11 A. M. Holy Com-
munion.

Lenten Services.

Sundays—7.30 Holy Communion.

11.00 Morning Service.

7.45 P. M. Evening Service.

Wednesdays—8 P. M. Mrs. Patterson's
Class.

Thursdays—9.30 A. M. Holy Communion.

Fridays—4.30 P. M. Children's Service.

Holy Week.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday,

7.30 A. M. Holy Communion.

4.30 P. M. Evening Prayer.

Maundy Thursday—

7.30 and 9.30 A. M. Holy Com-
munion,

4.30 P. M. Evening Prayer,

8.00 P. M. Communicants' Prepara-
tion.

GOOD FRIDAY—

9.30 A. M. Morning Prayer.

12-3 The Three Hours.

4.30 P. M. Evening Prayer.

Easter Even—

7.30 A. M. Holy Communion.

4.30 P. M. Evening Prayer and
Holy Baptism.

LENT. There is no magic in the forty
days of Lent. If we "give up" certain
things, harmless in themselves, for the
sake of finding time for emphasizing
more important things, let us see to it
that we "take up" those more important
things, and do them. The trouble with
most people's Lent is that they make it
merely negative, instead of robustly
positive. Lent is the time to say "no"
to many an inclination, but it is also the
time to say "Yes" to the religion that we
have grown careless about. Lent is the
time to "deny;" yes, but also the time
to "do" other things. In short, plan to
make your Lent constructive as well as
destructive, positive as well as negative,
and the result will be real growth in
the religious life. Remember, too, that
Lent is not a police regulation; the
Church does not say "you must;" rather
does she invite with the words "you may."
In short, Lent is an opportunity for
spiritual progress that you cannot afford
to ignore. How much like an investment
it is; put little into it and you get
little out of it; put much into it and you
get much. God help us to make it the
best Lent we ever have known."

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

Third Week in Lent. *Christian Character.* St. John 8; St. Matt. 5:1-16; I Cor. 9; Rom. 12; St. Jas. 1; Heb. 13; 1 St. Pet. 1: 3-23.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men. Grant unto Thy people that they may love the thing which Thou commandest and desire that which Thou dost promise that so among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Fourth Week in Lent. *Grace in Christ.* St. John 3; St. John 7: 32-53; St. John 6; 1 Cor. 11; Heb. 6; Eph. 6: 10-20.

Almighty God, Who hast given us Thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and to be born of a pure virgin; Grant that we being regenerate and made Thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

Fifth Week in Lent. *The Great Sacrifice.* St. John 12: 30-50; St. John 13; II Cor. 4; II St. Tim. 3; Heb. 5; Heb. 9; Phil. 2: 1-11.

Almighty God, Who hast given Thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life; Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that His inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavor ourselves to follow the Blessed steps of His most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Everlasting Arms.

"The Eternal God is thy refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms. I have used this affirmation many times, and it has always brought peace. I do not care who wrote it, it is there and God sent it, and in time of soul-darkness and difficulty I claim it. I make the imperishable affirmation my own."

Holy Week. *The Passion of Our Lord.* St. Mark 14: 1-26; St. Mark 14: 27-51; St. Mark 14: 53-72; St. Luke 22: 7-23; St. Matt. 26: 17-30; St. Mark 15: 1-39; St. Mark 15: 40-47.

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first He suffered pain, and entering into glory before He was crucified; Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the Cross may find it none other than the Way of Life and Peace; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



THE ANTHEM OF PAIN AND PEACE

There sounds an ancient anthem and the name of it is Pain—

The sighing of the contrite heart that would be clean again—

The sobbing of the bruised heart that would be whole again.

A little lie, a lurking lust,

Hid like the worm within the flower;

A brutal dragging in the dust

Of honor, loyalty, and trust,

Then bitter, bitter, self-disgust—

The agony of Hell's black hour.

The anthem hath its antiphon: it bears the title Peace—

The blessing of the purified whose guilty throbbings cease—

The blessings of the pardoned when God bids the sobbing cease.

A little mercy for the other,

My sin confessed, thy blow forgiven:

The trespasses 'gainst sister, brother,

The stabs we thrust at one another,

Renounced. Christ, give Thy love to smother

Wrath's fire, and make each heart a Heaven!

CHARLES A. MEADER.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Lent is an opportunity of drawing near to God. Man has always tried to be near to God and to understand Him.

The approach to God is usually made difficult, though it should be and is simple.

It has taken different forms in different ages; sacrifices, mutilation, isolation, etc.

It has been made difficult and often repellent, by its artificial associations, incident to the idea of propitiating an angry God.

It should be as simple as the approach of a child to a loving Father.

The sense of sin and fear of punishment is the barrier. Sin is a falling short of our ideal through a wilful act.

Deep humility at our weakness, confession of our wrong, desire for reinstatement, resolution of improvement are all that is necessary through the work of our Lord.

Such an attitude of soul is not a morbid relationship. It is a perfectly manly attitude and makes the approach to God a very simple matter.

Wishing each one of you a deeper experience of God, I am

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

PARISH NOTES

The Rector regrets that an attack of the grippe compelled him to be absent from Church on February 11, and the week following.

He is thankful to say that it was the first time in his rectorate of nearly six years that he has been off duty on account of illness.

He wishes to express his appreciation of the many messages, flowers and other tokens of affection which he received from the parishioners, which greatly lightened the burden of sickness.

The two services arranged for Tuesdays in Lent have been omitted.

Have You Sent in Your Pledge?

About 225 sets of envelopes have been distributed. We have about 400 worshippers. Will the remaining 175 please request envelopes?

CAKE SALES ARE BEING HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE ON FRIDAY AFTERNOONS, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE LENTEN OFFERING.

The Church School is endeavoring to raise at least \$600 for its Lenten offering. Please co-operate in every way with the pupils in their efforts to earn and to save money.

It applies on the Parish Quota.

The offering on Good Friday will be devoted, as heretofore, to the Jerusalem and the East Mission, of which Bishop Garland is Secretary and Treasurer for the United States.

The President of the Mission is the Rt. Rev. Rennie MacInnes, D.D., Bishop in Jerusalem, who visited this city last October and addressed many groups of people.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

What Is Meant by Weekday School Co-operation

The responsibility of this work rests primarily on the home. The home requests the Church to provide instruction, as the collective homes of the community request the providing of public school instruction.

The home requests the public school to assign a certain part of the public school time of the child for his religious instruction.

There shall be a card signed for each child by his parent or guardian, requesting that this time be assigned each week by the public school, for this purpose; and directing where the child is to go to receive this instruction."

This is one of the first steps towards the introduction of this important work. It has been in successful operation in Grand Rapids, Mich., for four years. There is no reason why it could not be successful in Philadelphia.

"It is a recognized fact that pupils are excused now, from school periods to attend religious services, (holy days, etc.). The principle is in operation. Let the principle be systematized and extended. Let parents request the release of pupils at a given time to attend their respective Churches for religious instruction.

Let school authorities arrange the curriculum so that, *e. g.* on the last period of one school day pupils may be released for religious purposes.

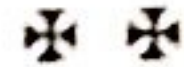
Let the Church authorities arrange for the instruction of their own members on this weekday afternoon, with adequate equipment and properly trained teachers, reporting attendance and standing to the school authorities."



A QUESTION

If the future generations of citizens are to be *Christian*, some radical improvement in the present methods of imparting religious instruction must be found. The above description—with modifications—is the most simple, reasonable, effective which has yet been arranged.

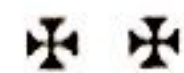
How many of the parents of our own Church school pupils will co-operate with this Parish in the effort to have such weekday religious instruction in operation, say next Fall, in West Philadelphia?



Church School Lenten Offering.

1917	\$253.39
1918	319.79
1919	246.10
1920	346.40
1921	406.70
1922	521.65
1923	?

We should get over \$600 this Lent—to support a worker in Alaska.



A SAINT'S HOURS

HER MATINS.

In the still cold before the sun
Her brothers and her sisters small
She woke, and washed and dressed each one.

PRIME.

And through the morning hours all
Singing above her broom she stood
And swept the house from hall to hall.

TIERCE.

Then out she ran with tidings good
Across the field and down the lane,
To share them with the neighborhood.

SEXTS.

Four miles she walked, and home again,
To sit through half the afternoon
And hear a feeble crone complain.

NONES.

But when she saw the frosty moon
And lakes and shadows on the hill,
Her maiden dreams grew bright as noon.

VESPER.

She threw her pitying apron frill
Over a little trembling mouse
When the sleek cat yawned on the sill.

EVENSONG.

In the late hours and drowsy house,
At last, too tired, beside her bed
She fell asleep—her prayers half said.

SARAH N. CLEGHORN.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY ANNUAL REPORT

St. Philip's Branch of the Women's Auxiliary to the National Council of The Church has held eight regular meetings with an average attendance of 19. At these meetings reports have been made by the delegates to the following committees—Diocese, Domestic, Colored, Foreign, Indians' Hope, Polish, Jewish, Italian—The Church Periodical Club, The United Thank Offering, Seamen's Church Institute and Cathedral League.

St. Philip's Auxiliary is extremely fortunate in having delegates representing all these branches of The Church's Mission works and the reports show what splendid effort is being put forth in the extension of Christ's kingdom.

During Lent the auxiliary met on Monday afternoons to sew for the Supply Bureau. At that time an informal Mission Study Class was conducted by Mrs. John Thomas. The full quota of work for the Supply Bureau was finished. A number of knitted articles were also sent in. As the treasurer's report has the list of beneficiaries, I will not repeat it here. At the first meeting in the autumn the resignation of Mrs. McCarthy, as treasurer, was read and accepted with great regret.

Mrs. Coho was appointed treasurer and Miss Bement was made secretary *pro tem*.

At this meeting it was decided to take the same amount of work from the Supply Bureau as last year. The sewing has been started and it is hoped that it will be finished by Easter.

The Auxiliary is so very grateful to Mrs. Zebley and the members of the Women's Guild for their kindness in doing so much of the Supply Bureau work. As we look forward to the work

of the Auxiliary for the coming year, let us try to realize what splendid opportunities are opening all about us for service in His name.

Is it too fair a vision to imagine every woman in the Parish an active member of the Auxiliary? To see a Blue Box in every household? To know that every family is co-operating with the Church Periodical Club? To be sure that an intelligent interest is being shown in all branches of our mission work? If we could accomplish this (even in a measure) we should be making a great step forward in fulfilling our Lord's Command, "Go ye into all the world."

Respectfully submitted,

Marguerite Bement
Secretary, *Pro Tem*.



WOMEN'S GUILD

The members of the Women's Guild met in the Parish House immediately after the service on Ash Wednesday. There was an all-day sewing on our quota for the Supply Bureau and we still need help so as to have the sewing finished by the early spring.

In the afternoon the Business Meeting was held and some thirty members were present. Several plans were made for the use of part of our funds in the treasury. These are all for the Parish, subject to the approval of the Rector and the Vestry.

In order to promote sociability and have the Parish become better acquainted with the Guild and its work, we propose after Lent to give either a reception or an at-home. This will be for every member in the Parish. We want every one to come and all will be made very welcome.

M. W. Harper,
Corresponding Secretary.

Week-day Work.

A little girl once asked me, when I told her I was a minister, "What do you do on week-days?"

Many people think a minister works only on Sundays. Often times his week-days are spent in such a fashion as the following. On a recent afternoon, I started to make a number of calls, primarily to interview a parishioner who requested her letter of transfer from St. Philip's, but neglected to mention the parish to which she wished to be transferred.

After ringing the bell (and hearing it ring) several times, with no response, I left my card and went to another house. My ring produced confused sounds within, with inner doors opening—but not the front door! Again a card was left.

I tried to find a family at an address which took me to a street on which no houses are built.

At another address I found that the family had moved.

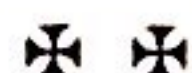
My fourth visit was pleasant and I trust profitable. But three-quarters of the afternoon was wasted.

Need of Group Organization

For a number of years attempts have been made to enlist co-operation by the parishioner in the matter of visits, removals, sickness, etc.

The family above mentioned, which had moved, lived exactly opposite another member of the parish—a little observation on its part would have saved a good bit of the Rector's time.

The family had moved next door but one to another parishioner. A little scouting on the part of the parishioner would have gained a new family to the parish.



NOTE.

Your attention is called to the Weekly Sewing Class, on Monday afternoons. The Auxiliary needs the assistance of every woman to help in making up the Parish's quota of sewing.

A Study Class is held on Fridays at 3 P. M. Miss Cushing is the leader. Be sure to attend, and learn what the Church is doing in the field.

RELIGIOUS READING

The publishing world is asking the reading public to observe Religious Book Week, from March 4 to March 10. The motive *may* be an effort to move stocks of unsold religious publications—though religious books which have been on shelves long enough to become shopworn would rank with last year's styles for women, or 1914 cars. The motive is undoubtedly an effort to increase the reading of good religious works, the publication of which is increasing.

With this motive we are heartily in accord—and hope that somehow the "week" will develop the habit of reading some religious literature, as a relief to a surfeit of other kinds.

Lent is a suitable time for such a task which should become a pleasure.

Probably no books are more worth while, at the present time, than Bishop Gore's "Belief in God" and "Belief in Christ."

The changed ideals of the Church School have displaced in most cases the Sunday School Library, but a PARISH LIBRARY is a better substitute, and should be established in every parish.

It may well be founded from Parish funds, supplemented by gifts, annual appropriation and subscriptions. It might be housed in a corner of the Church (as in one Parish) or a reading room might be arranged in the Parish House, (ala Christian Science and Unity Centre).

It should be stocked with the best books and magazines for minister and people, and its contents should circulate throughout the Parish.

It would tend to bring the thoughts of the Parish into harmony. It would bring freshness and conviction to the Minister and information and suggestion to the people.

It would be a good investment.



"A faithful friend is a strong defence,
And he that hath found Him hath
found a treasure." Ecclus. 6: 14

"We are in God's hands, I will not fear."

UNDERSTANDING OUR RELIGION

By J. C. A.

What is the average layman doing to understand the Christian religion? The clergyman in many a parish asks this question when he sees the books in the houses of his parishioners. How many, except possibly teachers, have read during the past year one solid book on the Christian religion? How many novels and other forms of light literature have they read?

If Christian people are to understand their religion so as to appreciate it and enter intelligently into it, there is no better way of doing this, which is their duty, than by reading words on it written by men who not only understand the subject but can express themselves so as to make other people understand it. If on all other subjects in which men are interested they read solid books, why is it not more the case in matters of religion? Possibly because sermons are supposed to be sufficient. But the modern sermon can rarely touch upon more than one topic, can not usually be connected in a series, has often a practical aim, and certainly does not give any opportunity for careful digestion, with reading and re-reading. This can be done only by means of the book.

The immediate consequence of the neglect of careful reading on religious matters is:— (1) that many have but a hazy idea of what Christianity really is; (2) that many are caught by some silly passing fad in religion; (3) that many make mistakes that were made and repudiated centuries ago.

The reading of carefully written books on religion is always appropriate but especially so in the season of Lent. If to love God with all the mind is a part of our duty toward God, and our Lord said that it was, certainly some earnest attempt to do solid reading would be a way of spending Lent to great profit. The greatest reason why people do not read more religious books is probably their conviction that such books are either sentimental, fanciful or dull. And, strange as it may seem, they rarely ask

the Clergy, the natural advisers in such matters, for the names of solid and readable books. The following is a brief list of books of first class merit. They have all been written by scholarly men, but at the same time they are readable and adapted for the non-professional reader.

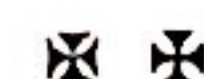
THE EARLY CHURCH, by the Rev. George Hodges. All Dean Hodges' books are readable and this is no exception. The book covers the first four and a half centuries.

THE HISTORIC FAITH, by Bishop B. F. Westcott. These are short lectures on the Apostles' Creed. They are clear, simple and the work of a master in theology.

THE CREED OF A YOUNG CHURCHMAN, by the Rev. H. A. Wilson. This is especially useful for the young.

THE CAMBRIDGE BIBLE FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES. This is a commentary in many volumes, which are by various authors and sold separately. It is still the best all-round commentary for the non-professional student.

CHRISTIANIZING THE SOCIAL ORDER, by Walter Rauschenbusch. A sincere and wise attempt to show the bearing of our Christian faith and morals upon the social problems of today. Dr. Rauschenbusch was more than a teacher in theology, he had in him much of the prophet as well.



Only "Good-Night."

The nearer we get to the God within us, the nearer we are to our beloved departed. The revelation of the survival of the Christ encourages us to alter the agonizing "good bye" of bereavement into the "good night" of expectation, and to say when they depart: "Only good night, beloved, not farewell."



She's Dead."

A lady asked the sexton of a certain parish, one week day: "You have Evening Prayer this afternoon, as usual, I suppose?"

"Oh, no!" was the reply, "she's dead!" (Few members of the Church need this sad humor explained.)

UNCOMMON SENSE

John Blake

History is the record of human achievement.

It contains the life stories of men who have built civilization.

In it you may find what they did and how they did it.

You will learn of the sacrifices they underwent or the efforts they put forth, of the methods they employed.

You will find generally that those who ought to have succeeded did so, and that the scoundrels, while sometimes successful, usually lived to regret their rascality, or paid for it by violent deaths.

In every chapter of the history of the world is inspiration.

The greatest, of course, is that of the Founder of Christianity.

Read carefully the history of the rise of Greece and the men who accomplished it.

Read how Rome, beginning with barbarism, came to control the whole world.

Follow on through the dark ages to the history of modern times.

Everywhere you will discover a record of work—of intense and unrelenting labor on the part of men who made the world progress.

There are in history examples for every young man of the present.

There are men who accomplished the same sort of thing that each of us is trying to do.

Read their life's stories. Read especially that of Leonardo di Vinci and Michelangelo in Italy and King Alfred in England.

Find your "hero," for a form of hero worship, next to religion, is one of the most valuable incentives to high endeavor.

You will find as you read that your curiosity about the world and its people will increase, and that you will have laid the foundation for a liberal education, which by industry is to be had without the aid of any school or college.

You will find, too, that sooner or later you will select some particular individual as an example, and that by trying

your best to follow this example you will make your own life broader and better and more useful, both to you and your fellow human beings.



DIVINITY SCHOOL CHAPEL

This parish is naturally interested in the plans of the Divinity School. The neighborhood is already enriched by the erection of the library building on Locust street and St. Mark's Square.

Work on the new St. Andrew's Chapel, to be erected at Forty-second and Spruce streets, will begin in the spring, and plans are being considered for the erection of the first wing of the dormitories as well as several faculty houses on the Spruce and Forty-third street sides.



GROWTH

In 1921, the Episcopal Church made the largest gain in communicants in its history—39,777, making a total of 1,143,801.

While the population of the country has multiplied about eight times in 90 years, our Church has multiplied its communicants more than 36 times.



A CHALLENGE

WILL YOU BE ONE OF A HUNDRED

The following is a portion of a letter recently received from one of the men of the Parish. Think it over. Act upon the suggestion:

"If you can get 99 others to contribute to an endowment fund, I agree to be the hundredth, and will take an even share with the others for any amount from \$100 to \$3000. . . .

"Should there not be men enough who think they can spare the money, there might be women in the Parish who would like to join the movement.

"There is no reason why this cannot be successfully done, even if it does look like a big job."

Why not start a drive?

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

My dear Young People:

You are now engaged in definite study on Sunday evenings. That is good.

To get much out of study, one must put much in.

The value of biography is chiefly for comparison and inspiration. Consider the lives about which you read. They were witnesses to Christ. Reflect that you, too, are witnesses to the same Christ. Compare your witness with that of which you read.

The value of history is chiefly to record the way in which past generations lived up to their ideals and strove to advance the cause of civilization.

Each generation—each individual—makes history.

Hence life is filled with responsibilities which none can shirk without detriment to himself and to the world.

A Christian boy or girl has peculiar responsibilities, as a witness and as a maker of history—but a Christian has the power to meet the responsibilities, in the fellowship with the Master.

F. E. S.

ANSWERS.

David Johnson and Jennett Walker answered all the questions correctly: 1, Eutychus 2, Joseph and Jeremiah 3, David; 4, St. Paul's nephew; 5, Rhoda.

George Riegner sent in last month's questions with three correct answers, (2, Joseph and Jeremiah; 3, David; 4, St. Paul's nephew).

Numbers 1 and 5 (Samuel and the High Priest's maid) were also good answers and in a measure correct, though not as the questions were intended.



TRY THESE.

1. Who was the real Lazarus?
2. What was the full name of St. Mark?
3. What three great storms at sea are recorded in the Bible?



READING FOR CHILDREN

Our Wonderful Faith, Osborne.
Some Wonderful Things in the Catechism, Osborne.
Our Wonderful Church, Hollis.
Our Wonderful Bible, Hollis.
Our Wonderful Prayer Book, Hollis.
Our Wonderful Cathedrals, Hollis.
Gentle Jesus, Hollis.

Why I Attend Service When It Rains

Because the Fourth Commandment does not except the rainy Lord's day.

Because I insist on the minister's being there, whose contract is no more binding than mine.

Because I may miss exactly the sermon or prayer I need.

Because my presence helps more on rainy days than on bright days.

Because the rain did not keep me from the tea last Monday, nor the dinner last Wednesday, nor the ball game last Saturday, nor the store any day in the week.

Because an example which cannot stand a little wetting is of little account.

Because the man who fears the rain will soon fear the cloud and he who fears the cloud will soon fear the daylight itself as reason for neglecting the church.

Because my real excuse must be to God.—Sel.

A CONSERVATIVE PLAN FOR 1923

Let us begin the New Year by Pledging Our Heartiest Co-operation to the Rectors of Our Parishes in the Fullfillment of the Aims and Purposes of the Church Programme.

In looking forward to our Missionary Programme for 1923, we feel that it is the desire of the clergy and our congregations that we should adopt a more constructive plan. With a new system it was inevitable that mistakes should be made and after an experience of a few years we can appreciate all our failures. Our ambition is to raise the full amount of the quota as contained in the budget adopted by the General Convention and we want to set to work at once to accomplish this task.

With the approval of the Executive Committee and the endorsement of representatives of the women's organizations, we are preparing details of our plan which will be sent to the clergy of the Diocese within a few days. We have decided to discourage all appeals for specials for missionary work and to concentrate our efforts on the programme adopted by the General Convention. We maintain that when a Diocese cannot take care of its own work and must appeal to the Church at large, the proper method is to make that appeal through the National Council and to have such items placed on the budget for maintenance or on the list of priorities. Every Diocese has an opportunity to present its request to the National Council and if it does not present it and have it approved then it has no right to allow its missionaries to travel throughout the country soliciting aid from other Dioceses.

We have notified the National Council that we are always ready to welcome missionary speakers in Pennsylvania, but

that it must be understood that those who come will not ask or expect offering for special objects which are not on the budget. We have also stated to the Council that it is our desire to raise first a sufficient sum to pay for our share of the maintenance of the national budget, and that until that budget for maintenance is secured we will not encourage any of our congregations or individuals to give to priority appeals.

I feel sure that the clergy of the Diocese will welcome the details of this plan which we desire to put into effect for the year 1923 and we trust that when it is announced through them to their congregations, it will receive the warm and hearty support of all our communicants. I had hoped to have the details ready before this time, but have been waiting for some further information from the office of the National Council.

It will be a Happy New Year for the Diocese if we can make a success of the new plan and give an impetus to our missionary work.

THOMAS J. GARLAND,



"Bootlegging" is going out of fashion.

"I just can't feel that there's anything to be proud about in handing out liquor, when I reflect that good citizenship calls for strict enforcement of the law," quotes B. C. Forbes in the "Public Ledger." "The whole trend is distinctly towards less and less drinking among reputable citizens . . . Incidentally, have you ever stopped to consider how far the closing of the saloons has helped to boom home building, automobile buying, savings bank deposits and the like in this country?"

The man who says "it can't be done" is usually overtaken by the man who has done it."

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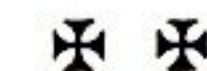
CHURCH CALENDAR

April.

- 1—EASTER DAY.
- 2—Monday in Easter week.
- 3—Tuesday in Easter week.
- 8—First Sunday after Easter.
- 9—The Annunciation (by transference).
- 15—Second Sunday after Easter.
- 22—Third Sunday after Easter.
- 25—St. Mark's Day.
- 29—Fourth Sunday after Easter.

May.

- 1—St. Philip and St. James' Day.
- 6—Fifth (Rogation) Sunday after Easter.



PARISH REGISTER

Communicants Received.

March 17—Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Eyer, from St. Andrew's Church, West Philadelphia.

Communicants Transferred.

March 1—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Land, to St. Mary's, Hamilton Village.

March 26—Mrs. Elizabeth Hoffer, Har-old N. Hoffer, to Christ Church, Philadelphia.

March 26.—Harrison Townsend, to All Saints by the Sea, Santa Barbara, Cal.

BURIALS

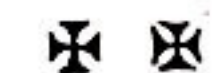
- March 20.—Emma S. Roediger.
- March 21.—Teresa O. Snow.
- March 23.—Robert H. Wright.
- March 26.—Annie D. Dixey.
- March 28.—Harriet R. Blakiston.



PRIVATE COMMUNIONS

The Rector will be glad to administer the Holy Communion privately at any time, and particularly during the Easter Octave to those who are prevented from attending the services on Easter Day.

There is a tendency to lapse in spiritual devotion after the festival of Easter has crowned a well spent Lent. We enter not too devoutly into the observance of Lent, nor do we observe too triumphantly the festival of Easter; but the forty days to the Ascension—that neglected, beautiful, holy day—and the wonderful seasons of Whitsunday and Trinity that follow closely are likely to be overlooked or forgotten. Dean Rousmaniere, in an admirable booklet of daily readings and prayers adapted to this season, has set forth its beauty and significance under the well-chosen title, "The Power of an Endless Life," which suggests the thought around which we may well centre our devotions. Rather than allow an anti-climax to follow Easter, let us live more abundantly, worship more heartily, and serve more sincerely in the power of an endless life, a life not culminated at Easter, but gloriously begun and beautifully fulfilled in Ascension, Pentecost and the long period of Trinity whereby the church enriches those who are disposed to abide in her teachings.



ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers are supplied for the Altar as follows:

April,

- First Sunday, EASTER DAY,
- Second Sunday, Miss H. Williams.
- Third Sunday, Mrs. H. McK. Moore.
- Fourth Sunday, ———
- Fifth Sunday, Mrs. Seiffert.

May,

- First Sunday,
- Second Sunday, Mr. C. Glackens.
- Third Sunday,
- Fourth Sunday,

If anyone desires to select the open Sundays as memorials, please advise the Altar Guild.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

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Easter week. *Resurrection.* St. Matt. 28:1-10; St. Luke 24:13-25; St. John 20:24-31; St. John 21:1-24; St. Matt. 28:16-20; St. Luke 24:44-49; I Cor. 15:1-11.

O Lord Jesus Christ, whom the grave could not hold, grant us grace this day to be one with Thee, that having died to sin, we may rise with Thee and dwell with Thee in heavenly places, that earthly care and sin and sorrow may be to us as things that have been left behind, shadows of the tomb, and the only realities for us Thy Presence and Thy love. Give us such joy in Thee that the song of our souls and the assurance of our hearts may be "Christ is indeed risen."

First week after Easter. *The Parish.* Neh. 4:1-6; Ex. 25:1-9; I Cor. 16:1-3; St. Luke 21:1-4; Tob. 4:1-9; Deut. 16:13-17; Heb. 10:19-25.

O Almighty, everlasting God, the never-failing Helper of all who believe, hear us who seek Thy help in behalf of this parish; bless it in its life and work; fill it more and more with Thy life. Shield it from all error, ignorance, pride and prejudice. Guard it day by day, from distractions from without and dissensions from within. Make us of one heart in love to each other and in devotion to Thee, and of one purpose in all our efforts to serve Thee. Bless the rector and all working with him; prosper each department in its special kind of ministry, and grant that we may continue Thine forever, and daily increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more until we come unto Thine everlasting Kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ENDURE

"When under some physical weakness, some mental strain, some crushing sorrow, darkness settles down, just endure, 'stand fast in the Lord.' Believe without seeing. Say with intention, 'Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory.'"

Second week after Easter. *Endurance.* I St. Peter 2:19-25; I St. Peter 3:8-9; Acts 14:21-22; St. Luke 18:28-34; St. Matt. 16:24-27; Rev. 7:9-17; II St. Tim. 1:8; 2:3; 4:5.

O God, Who by the joy of Easter hast given hope to a disordered world; grant, we beseech Thee, unto Thy people so to profit by Thy heavenly gift, that being freed from all their sins, they may attain to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Third week after Easter. *The Living Christ.* I St. John 5:11-21; Rom. 6:3-11; II St. Tim. 2:7-13; II Cor. 4:8-18; I St. Peter 5:6-11; Col. 3:1-17; Rom. 8:11-18.

O Christ, the Light of men, Who after a brief sojourn in the grave didst rise again and shed Thy glorious beams on the benighted world; grant, we beseech Thee, that, being illumined by Thy blessed Presence, we may evermore walk as children of the light and of the day; to Thy glory, Who, with the Father and Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen.

Fourth week after Easter. *Power of the Risen Lord.* Acts 2:29-36; Acts 3:1-10; Acts 3:11-16; Acts 4:1-12; Acts 4:13-22; Acts 4:23-33; Acts 5:17-32.

O God, Who by the resurrection of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, hast vouchsafed to make glad the hearts of Thy people; Grant, we beseech Thee, that by His holy and powerful intercession, we and all Thy faithful servants may attain to the joys of eternal life, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



"How could it possibly fail to steady the nerves, to cool the fever, to appease the fret, if one be sensibly conscious that, no matter what one's difficulties for the moment may appear to be, one's life as a whole is in the keeping of a Power Whom one can absolutely trust."—William James.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

The Easter spirit which now pervades the world should also enter our corporate parochial consciousness and stir us on to newness of life.

Easter means Renovation, Newness, Increased Vision, Enlarged Aims.

Improvement means advance in life; stagnation comes from standing still.

The parish needs something big to work for.

Last May I made several suggestions—and repeat them now.

Transform the North Transept into a Chapel, a convenience for weekday services.

Remodel the Parish House entirely—a necessity. (This is the third year's part of a program outlined three years ago.)

Erect a Rood Screen—adding to the beauty of the church.

Insert stained glass windows, more attractive than the present glass.

Erect a vestibule entrance at Forty-second Street (completing a plan of many years ago).

Paint the Church and Parish House, exterior and interior (badly needed).

Replace the brick sidewalk with cement pavement.

Place a Cross on roof or tower to witness to our faith.

Place an illuminated Cross over the doorway—a good suggestion of a Vestryman (see elsewhere in this issue).

It will cost money for any of these items, but they would make our buildings more efficient, and, in the end, it costs more money to maintain inadequate equipment.

Why not work for a parish resurrection this year?

Faithfully your friend and rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

PARISH NOTES

THE BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW in this parish has admitted five new members recently and is undertaking a canvass of sections of the parish with the purpose of finding families in the neighborhood attending no church and inviting them to St. Philip's.

Do YOU know anyone in YOUR neighborhood attending no church? If so, please send the name and address to the rector.

GROUP ORGANIZATION is a name given to a system by which persons are made responsible for certain territory in which parishioners live, to keep in touch with them, notifying them of special information from time to time, reporting to the rector any illness, trouble, removal, etc.

It has been the salvation of many parishes and should be working effectively in ours.

SMALL BEGINNINGS. The Mothers' Meeting has made the first contribution toward the transformation of the North Transept into a Chapel.

The Church School has been given a donation towards the renovation of the Parish House.

NEW CHAIRS. The Women's Guild has furnished the Parish House with ten dozen folding chairs which are much more serviceable than the benches formerly in use. Many thanks to the Guild!

A LOSS. The removal of two families from this parish within the past year has diminished the income about \$1000. How will that be made up?

KNOW YOUR PARISH. The Women's Guild has planned an important meeting on the evening of April 10, when opportunity will be given for the Parish to know itself, and for parishioners to know one another. An informal gathering of all who are connected with the parish is intended and brief descriptions of the work of each society and the plans for the parish will be given. Reserve the date.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH. If 225 persons do the work which 400 persons should do, how much harder than necessary have the 225 to work? Perhaps algebra may have a solution. But, if only 225 indicate their intention of subscribing to the budget of \$13,000 for the parish and \$5200 for the church program (when we have a personnel of about 400) it seems as though some are not carrying their share of the burden. Are YOU using weekly envelopes?

CHURCH HISTORY. Those who attended Dr. Ayer's addresses on "Church History" regret that the series has ended. Dr. Ayer has a marvellous grasp on his subject which he presents with clearness and refreshing touches of humor.

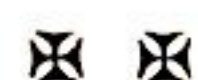
It is, of course, not necessary to salvation to know the history of your church, but it certainly is helpful to a clear understanding of her purpose and policy. **KNOW YOUR CHURCH.**

ILLUMINATED CROSS. A fund has already been started to erect an electric Cross over the church entrance. Additional contributions will be gratefully received. They may be placed in the offering, properly designated.

Mrs. Patterson has concluded her class on "The Lord's Prayer," giving at the last meeting, a meditation on "The Eucharist," which was exceptionally helpful.

The Mission Study Class, led by Miss Cushing, has concluded its sessions, the members of the class most fittingly attending the early service on Palm Sunday, making "Church Unity" their special intention.

It was inspiring to have 70 persons (including the Mission Study Class) receive the Holy Communion on Palm Sunday at 7.30 A. M.



THANKS

Many thanks are accorded to those who contributed so generously to the Easter Decoration fund, with which the Altar Guild has been able to beautify the Sanctuary for the Easter services, and to convey to the sick and shut-in parishioners potted plants symbolic of hope and resurrection.

ELECTION. The annual election of vestrymen will take place in the Parish House on Easter Monday, April 2, the polls being open from 7 to 8.30 P. M. Four men are to be elected. The names of nominees have been posted in the church vestibule according to by-law.

Every voter of the parish should exercise his or her franchise.

ENCOURAGEMENT

The following is an extract from a letter received recently:

"I want to express my interest and delight in the very evident signs of increasing attendance at St. Philip's Church. I have been much impressed by the growth of your morning congregation. All the more so, as, so far as I can see, the exact opposite is the trend of many places at present.

Cordially yours,
GEORGE G. BARTLETT,
(Dean of the Divinity School.)

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

It is with deep gratitude that the faculty of the church school acknowledges the receipt of \$40 from Miss Emily Sellers, the proceeds of a recital given by her earlier in the year for the benefit of the school.

The children of the school, and a goodly number of adults, have attended the Friday afternoon illustrated services with gratifying regularity. The subject of the series of addresses was "Neighbors," being an application of the story of the Good Samaritan to the world today.

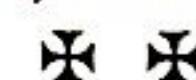


MYSTERY PLAY

The Lenten offering of the church school will be presented on Easter afternoon, during a Mystery Play, "The Little Pilgrims and the Book Beloved." This will be given in the church at 4 P. M.

Everyone in the parish is urged to attend.

(The Diocesan service of Presentation will be held in Holy Trinity Church on Sunday, April 29, at 4 P. M.)



OUR FRENCH ORPHAN

The following is a translation of a letter recently received from Lucienne:

St. Ouen, Feb. 14, 1923.

My very dear Godmother:

With all our heartfelt thanks for your kind heartedness and for your generosity which we receive regularly.

I am continuing to learn my sewing and am quite happy over it. Later on it will be quite useful to me as it is a good trade.

Grandmother is quite aged and I hope to be able greatly to relieve her as a recompense for having raised me.

Dear Godmother, I hope your health is good at present, as for us, we are quite well.

Receive a hearty kiss from your little goddaughter and many good wishes from grandmother.

LUCIENNE BENARD,
Care Madame Lenti,
49 Avenue des Batignolles,
St. Ouen (Seine).

HELPLESSNESS

Hearty thanks are given to all who assisted in the Friday afternoon services; to Eleanor Corliss, who served as secretary; to Harry Seymour, Danforth Walker and others who served as operators of the stereopticon and helped the sexton in arranging curtains and screen.

FACULTY MEETINGS

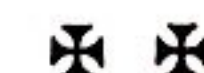
The Faculty of the Church School meets regularly on the third Monday of the month, assembling for supper, followed by conference.

Many plans are under way for the up-building of the school.

Hitherto the main emphasis has been placed on Teacher Training. Our Faculty now has a high standard in this respect—almost all of the teachers being either trained public or high school teachers, or studying in the Church Normal School.

The Rector desires to express his deep appreciation of the time spent by the teachers in their work, and to congratulate them on maintaining an average of 97 per cent. attendance during the present school year. This is a remarkably high record.

The efficiency and co-operation of the teachers are the chief reasons for the good reputation St. Philip's School has in the Diocese.



VOLUNTEER CHOIR

The Junior Choir, after being carefully trained by Mrs. Eyster, was on duty at the Three-Hour Service on Good Friday, when Mrs. Loman was the organist, and at the 7.30 celebration on Easter Day, when Mrs. Eyster was the organist. The latter also served as pianist at the Wednesday and Friday services in the Parish House.

Many thanks are given to all who took part.

"Honor thy father and thy mother."

FINANCIAL REPORT ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

February to 24th

Cash on hand, St. Philip's Church \$546.65

Receipts

Plate Collection	35.05
Pledges	346.35
In lieu of Pew Rents	40.00
Miscellaneous (initial)	4.05
St. Philip's Record	22.00
Interest from Trustees	138.94

Total \$1,134.04

Disbursed

Rector	\$333.33
Music and Choir	208.33
Music Guarantee (2 months) ...	80.00
Sexton	100.00
Coal	45.00
Miscellaneous	91.43
Chancel Laundry	25.00
Insurance	54.00
Light and Power	20.35
St. Philip's Record	42.00
Repairs to Rectory	2.00

Total \$1,001.44

Balance, St. Philip's Church ... \$131.60

Missions and Assessments

Balance	\$250.42
Receipts	155.80

\$406.22

Nation-wide Campaign 400.00

Balance \$6.22

THE CHURCH'S PROGRAM

We are asked to give:

For Diocesan Maintenance \$1,372.98

For General Maintenance 1,896.02

Total \$3,269.00

For Diocesan Forward Work 813.29

For General Forward Work 1,123.12

1,936.41

Total \$5,205.41

Arranged differently:

For all Diocesan Work \$2,196.27

For all General Work 3,019.14

\$5,205.41

Items on the Diocesan Maintenance Budget:

Diocesan Missions,
Episcopal Hospital,
Church Farm School,
City Mission,
Seamen's Church Institute,
St. John's House,
Church work among the Blind,
Church work at University of Penna.
Church Training and Deaconess House,
Contingent Fund,
Work of Religious Education,
Social Service and Publicity,
Executive Office.

The Executive Office reports that up to February 28, 1922, St. Philip's has remitted \$412.80 on its Quota (for the same period) of \$867.57, a little less than 50 per cent.

The Rector has notified the Bishop Suffragan that St. Philip's expects to remit its full Quota of \$5205.41 this year. Our pledges, applying on this sum, amount to \$3464.



SOME DEFINITIONS

The Program. The General Church Program for 1923-25 was adopted by the General Convention at Portland. It presents in detail what the church as a whole plans to do during this Triennium. It consists of two parts, the Budget and the Priorities.

The Budget. The Budget covers that portion of the Program which is for the maintenance of existing work. For this portion of the Program the General Convention made appropriations.

The Priorities. That portion of the Program which covers new work and the expansion of existing work is called the Priorities. For these projects no appropriation has been made or can be made until the Budget is provided for. These projects are called "priorities" because they will be cared for in the order in which they are listed.

"Saintliness is finding one's own best conditions of efficiency."

WARDENS AND VESTRYMEN

Rev. Francis L. Beal.

Wardens and vestrymen are *picked* men. They are selected by the parish, not because they are "good fellows," but as *leaders*; leaders in spirituality, as well as for their clear-headed business qualities.

The parishioners look up to their wardens and vestrymen to "set the pace" for them in spirituality, devotion and loyalty to the Master, His church and to the rector as called of God and set apart for holy things. They are the rector's right hand, helping him in all his efforts to keep the parish strong and effective for righteousness.

It is a position of great honor, and a great responsibility. In order to meet its demands as Christ would have us, rector, wardens and vestrymen must be deeply in earnest, closely united, and, above all, frequently at the Altar, together, as a body.

—Living Church.

THE INACTIVE LIST

All parishes have them, "inactive lists" of communicants. The designation may sound harmless, even negative; but the "inactives" are, we quite agree with the Rev. Dr. Frederick G. Budlong, rector of the Church of the Ascension, Pittsburgh, the heaviest burden in any parish. Dr. Budlong describes the "inactive," well, as follows:

"Those who criticize but do not help; those who want prominence but are unwilling to merit it by faithful service under others; those who question the motives of their fellows largely because they themselves are self-seekers; those who sometimes appear when there is no work to be done; those who so easily find fault with what is attempted or accomplished, but who give the minimum of co-operation and assistance when their suggestions are accepted, and nothing but criticism when the judgment of others prevails."

We fear that on a business ledger those whom the church charitably terms "inactive" would fall into a category not so mildly or vaguely named.

The Women's Guild of St. Philip's Church

requests the pleasure of your company at

The Parish House

on Tuesday Evening, April 10th

from Eight until Ten o'clock

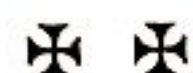
THE WOMEN'S GUILD

The members of The Women's Guild desire that all the people in the parish should become better acquainted with them and their work. Their assistance and interest in the plan of "The Selling of the Year," has been of much help in the work in the parish, so therefore we want to have an evening together. So we will give a party in the parish house on Tuesday evening, April 10, from 8 until 10 o'clock, and we want every man, woman and all of the young people to come and spend the evening with us.

Our rector will give a little talk on each organization in the parish. We will also have music and other good things.

Cards of invitation will be given out and we want the party to be a success.

M. W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.



FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE HEBREW-CHRISTIAN SYNAGOGUE

On Saturday, February 24, the Hebrew-Christian Synagogue celebrated its first anniversary. It was the occasion of thankfulness for the opportunities of the past year and of prayer for enlarged growth and helpfulness in the year to come. Bishop Garland, who is President of the National Committee, the Church Mission to Jews, and also Chairman of the Diocesan Committee, presided. A beautiful service was held, and the appropriate hymns, "Hasten the Time Appointed" and "The God of Abraham Praise" were heartily sung.

Short interesting addresses were made by representative leaders in the work from this country and from the Church of England in Canada. One speaker said that work for Jewish evangelization is like the problem of Nehemiah when he tried to rebuild the Temple at Jerusalem—he first had to remove quantities of accumulated rubbish and then was forced to contend with ridicule and opposition from those who would have prevented him. The "rubbish" is typical of accumulated prejudices which have grown up between the Jew and the Christian

through centuries of misunderstanding, and the "opposition" to the Lord's work is paralleled by those who say that the conversion of the Jew is impossible of accomplishment.

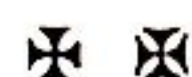
But with God nothing is impossible, and we know of no more high and sacred effort than that of bringing to their Messiah and Saviour the people of His own race. Wonderful results have been accomplished wherever consecrated effort has been put into the work, and a widespread interest in this mission and the newly started one in Brooklyn is evidenced in the church.

The mission is in charge of the Rev. John L. Zacker, a man of great spiritual and intellectual attainments; Mr. John Solomon has charge of Yiddish work, and Miss May Ormsby, who will soon be made a deaconess, is going to devote her life to work for Jewish women and children.

Will you not pray for this work? Remember, there are over 200,000 Jews in Philadelphia, many of them atheists and radicals, attending no synagogue and reached by no religious influence, without Christ and without hope. Come down to the Hebrew-Christian Synagogue, 517 North Fifth Street, attend the Sunday evening services in English or the Friday night services in Yiddish; encourage the workers and shake hands with the Jews who attend. Some are converts, some earnest inquirers, all would appreciate the sympathy and fellowship of our church people. Think this over, and remember our Lord's command to "preach the Gospel among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." Funds are asked for, and will be gratefully received by the Bishop or by the Rev. J. L. Zacker or the Women's Committee of the Diocese for Work among Jews, Mrs. Morris Stroud, Treasurer.

In remitting ask that credit be given to St. Philip's.

—M. B. C.



"Conversion, through the proneness of man to sin, must be repeated as often as we are conscious of sin, so frequently repeated."

A CABLE FROM THE NEAR EAST

In many ways the situation today is more satisfactory than a year ago. The orphans from Anatolia, are now on friendly soil where they can enjoy, both now and in the future, full rights to life.

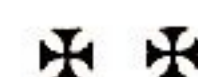
No longer can it be said that Near East Relief is bringing up children to provide material for future Turkish massacres.

The situation in the Caucasus also gives ground for hope. Our orphans there, some of whom are now approaching the age when they can take their places as citizens, will perhaps be the most important factor in the future of their country.

The refugee situation in Greece continues desperate. Among Greece's million refugees are many thousand orphan children whose plight should have constructive attention as soon as we have provided adequately for our own orphans from Anatolia. No phase of the refugee problem is more deserving of American sympathy and help.

Today, more than ever before, the future of the Near Eastern countries seems to be in the hands of the children. The most powerful single force towards regeneration and brotherhood will undoubtedly be our children brought up under American ideals and Christian citizenship by Near East Relief.

We shall get much larger return for per capita investment on our orphans in new homes here. For instance, new buildings at Syros are being constructed out of one year's saving in the cost of maintenance of the same children in Greece as compared with Anatolia. In Greece we shall have full sympathy and active co-operation of the Greek Government and people, and there is every reason to believe we shall shortly have in Greece the finest orphanage establishments in the history of the organization.



"A realizing consciousness of the Reality of the Unseen brings us into correspondence with the infinite Life and releases the power of that Life."—Gibson.

CLOTHING FOR RUSSIA

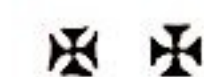
"I was naked and ye clothed Me."

Clothing for men, women and children is needed, particularly warm winter garments of all kinds. Clothes for children of school age, 6 to 16, are in special demand. Many children are unable to attend school because they have nothing to wear. At present there is no demand for clothes for the children under 6, as so many children of this age died last winter.

Care should be taken to see that the clothing contributed retains at least six months' solid wear, and that it is clean and well mended. Cotton stockings should not be sent. Shoes are in great demand, but to be useful they must possess broad toes and low heels.

In addition there is great need for all kinds of uncut material. This can be made into garments by the women of the famine zone, many of whom are sewing for the benefit of the community in return of their relief rations.

Please send all contributions of clothing prepaid to the American Friends Service Committee Storeroom, Fifteenth and Cherry Streets, Philadelphia, Pa.



OPPORTUNITY

The Porter Military Academy, Charleston, S. C., is one of the best schools for boys in the church. The average enrollment has been over 200; the tuition is \$550.

The school is in need of funds, and appears on the Church Program.

It is also selling bonds, maturing in five years, which pay 5 per cent. interest, in order to liquidate accumulated indebtedness due to war-time conditions.

This is an opportunity for a profitable investment which at the same time will advance the cause of education.

The rector of the Academy is the Rev. Walter Mitchell, D. D., who conducted a conference in St. Philip's during the Every Member Campaign.

He would be glad to correspond with anyone desiring to make an investment, in money, for the boys.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

My dear Young People:

You have learned the multiplication tables, and are experiencing constantly how they apply to all kinds of problems within the sphere of mathematics. You couldn't get along without them.

The Creed of the Church occupies much the same place in the sphere of religion. It applies to all kinds of problems, and gives a basis of solution in an expanding degree.

When the tables in mathematics or the underlying principles or rules of grammar can be abandoned, then, perhaps, Creeds will not be necessary.

Meanwhile, contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.

F. E. S.



CORPORATE COMMUNION

It has been our custom for some years to invite the officers, teachers and confirmed pupils of the church school to a Corporate Communion on a Sunday near St. Philip's Day.

This year the service is planned for May 6, at 7.30 A. M.

The service will be followed by a simple "May breakfast" served in the Parish House.



VACATION CAMP CONFERENCE

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew conducts summer conferences for boys of high school age in various parts of the country—Camp Bonsall, near Downingtown, being nearest to us.

These camps are really religious work conferences for the church's boys.

If you are interested in a particular boy, a plan has been devised by the Brotherhood, by which a Certificate of Award may be given him (under such conditions as may be agreed upon) either for the complete amount of \$17 or on partial certificates of \$5, \$10 or \$15, thus giving a chance for the boy to provide the balance.

Further information may be obtained

ANSWERS

Correct answers to last month's questions were received from Jennett Walker, Jack Seymour, George Riegner, Asa Dickinson and Elizabeth Dickinson. The correct answers are 1. Lazarus, of Bethany, brother of Martha and Mary; 2. John Mark; 3. Jonah 1, St. Matt. 8, Acts 27.

NEW QUESTIONS

1. Who was called Boanerges and why?
2. Who was called Cephas and why?
3. Who was called Didymus and why?
4. Name three famous mountains mentioned in the Bible and tell what happened on each, and locate them.
5. Which story in the Old Testament do you like best and why?

"If the boy and the girl do not respect father and mother because they are father and mother, they will never salute any flag on earth with sincerity. The child who has not learned to respect God is never going to respect a government."
—Paul Rader.



FAMILY RELIGION

Let us suppose that the head of a household is a normal churchman, a good husband, a good father, a good citizen, with a belief in God and a love for His church, with a high ideal for his own moral conduct; and let us ask what he can do about the practice of Home Religion. He will, of course, say his own prayers morning and night. He will always say Grace, preferably standing, mindful that he is addressing Almighty God. He will be careful to be consistent in this his own house, determined that the witness of his rooftop, at least, shall be for God and the Gospel. Lastly, some time in the day, morning or night, he will gather his household about him for family prayers. It matters not how simple or how brief they may be. Perhaps he will only say the Lord's Prayer and the Grace of our Lord. But if he does that earnestly and consistently, he will do much toward maintaining Family Religion in our country, and accomplish results he cannot measure.

—Bishop Davies in the Pastoral Staff.
from the Church House.

THE SUPREME INCENTIVE

Careful thought upon, and deep appreciation of, the innumerable benefits which we ourselves have received as members of God's Family through Christ—this should be a supreme and compelling incentive. "We can not but speak the things which we saw and heard" must ever be in the mind of the Christian.

Then there is the incentive which always comes from an intelligent outlook upon conditions in the world—the realization of people's desperate need of Jesus Christ to make them children of God, to give them abundant life, to move them to righteousness, to turn their chaos into order, to establish among them His joyous rule. There is no conceivable reason for the world's remaining in its present state a single year longer, except the cruel and faithless indifference of us Christians. Pity for those deprived of our blessings, mercy in enabling them to share, this is what is needed.

These are the people for whom our Lord longed—other sheep, not yet of His fold, but necessary to complete His flock. Yes, necessary for the completing of His Church. Let us again define to ourselves the Church's mission: "To seek missing members of Christ's body."—The Church's Life.



SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENT

"The secret of the Lord is the faculty of spiritual discernment which enables us to know that all visible things are a Sacrament of the Presence of God."



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO YOU

You are writing a Gospel,
A chapter each day,
By deeds that you do,
By words that you say.
Men read what you write,
Think! What is the Gospel
Whether faithful or true.
According to you?

—Selected.

DON'T'S FOR CHURCH-GOERS

Don't visit. Worship.

Don't hurry away. Speak and be spoken to.

Don't stop in the end of the pew. Move over.

Don't monopolize your hymn-book. Be neighborly.

Don't wait for introductions. Introduce yourself.

Don't choose the back seat. Leave it for late comers.

Don't dodge the collection plate. Pay what you are able.

Don't criticize. Remember, and think on your own frailties.

Don't sit while others stand or kneel. Share in the service.

Don't sit with your hand to your head as if worshiping hurt you.

Don't dodge the preacher. Show yourself friendly.

Don't stare blankly while others sing, read, pray. Join in.

Don't leave without praying God's blessing upon all present.

—Selected.



The Cake and Candy Sales held during Lent by various classes and divisions of the Church School were well patronized by our friends, and resulted in a substantial increase in the Lenten Offering.



QUIET OBEDIENCE

"Do not strive for heroic issues, but in patient, quiet obedience to duty—home duty and public duty—assure yourself nothing is trivial, nothing is small."



EASTER DAY SERVICES

6.30 A. M., Holy Communion.

7.30 A. M., Holy Communion (Junior Choir).

11.00 A. M., Holy Communion and sermon (regular choir).

4.00 P. M., Mystery Play, "The Little Pilgrims and the Book Beloved," and presentation of the missionary offering by the church school. (No evening service.)

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Rector:

Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
11.00 A. M. Morning Service, (First and Third Sundays
Holy Communion)
7.45 P. M. Evening Service

Thursdays
and
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M. Holy Communion

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—
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Sundays, 9.45 A. M.
Fridays, 4.00 P. M. (Church School Service League).

STANDING NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.

Prompt notices should be given of change of address.

The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for Baptisms, Marriages or Burials.

The church is supported by voluntary contributions. Each worshiper is asked to use Duplex Envelopes, to be obtained from the Accounting Warden, Mr. Russell Bement.

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CALENDAR

May

1—SS. Philip and James.
6—Fifth (Rogation) Sunday after
Easter.
7, 8, 9—Rogation days.
10—Ascension day.
13—Sunday after Ascension day.
20—Whitsunday.
21—Whitsun Monday.
22—Whitsun Tuesday.
23, 25, 26—Ember days.
27—Trinity Sunday.

June

3—1st Sunday after Trinity.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptisms

March 31—Robert Wark Johnson.
Florence Katharine Zebley.

Confirmation

April 18—Florence Katharine Zebley.

Communicants Transferred

April 18—Marjorie Johnson Adams.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert P.
Wood to St. Giles' Mission,
Stonehurst, Pa.

Burials

April 5—Charlotte A. Brobston.
7—Charles L. Baker.
24—Andrew J. Loecher.



ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers are furnished for the Altar as follows:

May—

1st Sunday
2nd Sunday, Mr. C. M. Glackens.
Whitsunday, Miss L. G. Conrad.
Trinity Sunday, Miss M. G. Delany.

June—

1st Sunday
2nd Sunday, Mrs. M. T. Ringer.
3d Sunday, Miss M. Bement.
4th Sunday, Mrs. W. P. Bement.

It is desirable that memorial flowers should be on the Altar every Sunday in the year. Applications for vacant days may be made to the Altar Guild.

May

Three of the eight Festivals of the Church Year occur this year in the month of May.

Ascension day, May 10.

Whitsunday, May 20.

Trinity Sunday, May 27.

Each has its own significance.

Ascension day proclaims the ultimate glory of humanity, and the assurance of identity after death. "This same Jesus" is now interceding for us. We, through membership in Him, shall sometime be wholly united with Him in glory.

Whitsunday, the festival of the Intimate, Immanent God—the personal Presence of God, the potent influence of the Holy Spirit on and in our lives guiding, as the Light of God, teaching as the Wisdom of God, purifying, as the Fire of God, sanctifying, as the Breath of God.

Trinity: the Mystery, Supremacy, Majesty of God, as Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier.

"Bless us, O God, with the Vision of They Being and Beauty, that in the strength of it we may work without haste and without rest." Amen.

Besides these Great Holy Days, of Obligation, when all the faithful should seek closer union of our Lord in the Holy Communion, there are three days of earnest humility in preparation for the Glory of the Festival of the Ascension, known as Rogation days, (May 7, 8, 9), when we acknowledge God as the Source of Food and Protection, and humbly place ourselves in dependence on Him, with confession of our wilful shortcomings in the past.

Following the Festival of the Holy Spirit, which commemorates His coming to the early Christians, empowering them to continue the work of the Saviour in evangelizing the world, are three Ember days, (May 23, 25, 26), when the Church bids us pray that the same Holy Spirit would touch the hearts and minds of the men of our generation, and empower them for the same work of evangelizing the world through the Ministry of the Church.

In addition, the month commences with our own "patronal festival"—St. Philip's day, when our prayers should be fervently offered for our parish, its members and its work.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

Ascension Week. Rom. 8:31-39; Psalms 24; St. John. 6:59-69; St. John. 16:16-20; Acts 1:1-14; Eph. 4:1-13; Rev. 7:9-17.

O Blessed Jesus, Who art ascended up on high, and hast overcome death and hell, and entered victorious into heaven, raise our hearts, we beseech thee, above all that is sinful, above all worldly cares and sorrows, and fears and joys. Remember us who remain here upon the earth and give us the blessings of faith and patience, the blessing of a sincere and humble heart, the blessing of purity and charity, and the blessing of peace; for thy merit's sake, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, are one God, world without end. Amen.

Expectation Week. Psalm. 67; St. John. 21:15-17; St. Matthew. 9:35-38; Acts 8:26-40; Acts 17:15-29; St. Luke. 9:1-6; St. Matthew. 28:16-20.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who didst charge Thine Apostles that they should preach the Gospel to every nation; make us to show our gratitude for thy benefits by earnestness in fulfilling Thy command. Prosper all missions, both at home and abroad, with an increase of sanctity, that they may win many to the acknowledgment of Thy truth, and give them all things needful for their work, making them to be centres of spiritual life, to the quickening of many souls, and the glory of thy holy name, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

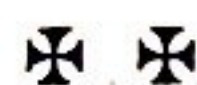
Whitsuntide. Acts 2:1-11; Acts 10:24-48; Acts 8:14-17; I Cor. 12:1-13; Gal. 5:16-25; St. John. 20:19-29; II Cor. 5:20-6:10.

O God, who at this time didst send the Holy Ghost upon the Apostles, to teach them and lead them into all truth, that they might go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature, pour out, we beseech Thee, the same Holy Spirit upon Thy Church, that it may send forth the good tidings of great joy unto

all people. Hasten Thy work, O God; raise up laborers, and strengthen their hands, that they may tell of salvation unto the ends of the world. And especially, O Lord, for our own country, we pray that true religion may abound unto all righteousness and peace; through Thy only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Trinitytide. St. Luke. 1:36-38; St. Matthew. 3:13-17; St. John. 1:29-34; St. John. 3:1-21; St. John. 16:1-15; Eph. 3:14-21; Rev. 4.

"Keep us, O Lord, from the vain strife of words, and grant to us a constant profession of the truth. Preserve us in the Faith, true and undefiled; so that we may ever hold that which we professed when we were baptized into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; that we may have Thee for our Father, that we may abide in Thy Son, and in the fellowship of the Holy Ghost; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



ALTAR GUILD

The most intimately sacred work of the parish is done by the Altar Guild, which needs many more members.

The care of the Sanctuary is the primary work of this Guild, which works, usually "unhonored and unsung" because quietly and unobtrusively. Often we do not realize that it has done its work. Its efficiency is taken for granted; as e. g., we take the sun for granted. If we attended Church some Sunday and found the Sanctuary dusty and dirty, the linen soiled and torn, we should be conscious of the need of some caretakers of the Altar. These things do not happen in St. Philip's, because of the faithfulness of the members of this Guild.

But the Altar Guild needs more women who can serve, perhaps two months in the year, in caring for the Sanctuary of the Lord.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Planting and planning are closely related, and are appropriate activities of this season.

"Parables of Nature" give many illustrations for spiritual and parochial life.

Planning in Church life is a species of planting. If we expect results we must *plan*, and *plant*.

Planning is forehandedness, and implies expectation. What we plan for, and expect, we usually receive, just as we expect a harvest corresponding to what we plant.

If we expect nothing, our receipts are meagre.

If we expect, and plan to receive, the results are large.

"All things, whatsoever ye pray and ask for, (plan), believe that ye received them (expectation), and ye shall have them." St. Mark 11:24.

Every organization in the parish ought to spend the month of May in planning and planting—in forehanded expectation of the work which is to be accomplished next season—with large vision, with boundless faith.

"Attempt great things for God,

Expect great things from God."

Faithfully yours,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

PARISH NOTES

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

We think that our friends who came to our party enjoyed it and if more people had accepted the invitation, the party would have been a greater success. We expected 200 people at least, but only 120 were present.

Mr. Seymour gave a most interesting talk on the work of the different organizations of the parish, then refreshments and music filled in the rest of the evening. Two new members came into "The Guild" the next day, so we felt that "the party" did some good besides being a success in a social way.

At the meeting next month, all money made by "the personal effort," be it large or small, is to be brought in. It is hoped that every member is working hard to raise some money. Much is needed for the necessary repairs to the church, both inside and outside. The Guild wants to do its share.

M. W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

Is your automobile doing Christian service? A number of elderly people would appreciate the Church services, but are unable to reach the Church.

Ask the rector for addresses, and gladden the hearts of those you bring to Church.



ST. MONICA'S

For several years St. Philip's has helped its neighbor church, St. Monica, Woodland avenue and St. Mark's Square, with its summer work, sometimes by furnishing means for a Daily Vacation Bible School, sometimes as last year, by providing a fund with which deserving members of that parish were given a brief outing at seaside or countryside.

The rector would be pleased to receive contributions towards the continuance of this neighborly assistance—which is gratefully appreciated by the priest-in-charge, Rev. Richard Bright, and by his people.

PARISH PARTY

The informal reception to the parish, given by the Women's Guild on the evening of April 10, was eminently successful.

We have begun to know one another better.

Someone made the suggestion that such gatherings ought to be more frequent. We hope they will be.

At the request of the Guild the rector gave a brief description of the organizations of the parish, their functions, work and opportunities.

Vestry, the official body of the Parish, representative of the people, by election to office. Its functions are: to care for the property; to disburse parish funds wisely; to undertake new work for parish welfare; to know the church's program and to see that the parish does its share. *Meets* fourth Tuesday evening.

Choir, serves as leader of the congregation in the singing of hymns, canticles and other parts of the service in which the people are expected to take part; serves as the singers in offertory anthems, cantatas, etc. *Rehearses* Friday evenings.

Women's Guild, assists the Vestry in parochial finances; provides social intercourse; furnishes assistance in community benevolences; forms "point of contact" between newcomers and the parish. *Meets* second Wednesday afternoons.

Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council. Every baptized woman is a member. Has within its purview missions, religious education, social service. Connects with Vestry in efforts to meet the quota, with Church School in educational plans, with Guild and Mothers' Meeting, in Social Service. Its activities are expressed through study, work and gifts. *Meets* last Monday afternoons.

Mothers' Meeting, a group of loyal women, active and interested in all that pertains to the church. Has a larger percentage of offering on account of United Thank Offering, and of members in Cathedral League than any other group in the parish. *Meets* Tuesday evenings.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew exists to bring men and boys to recognize and to accept opportunities of becoming Christians, and to keep chuchmen and boys up to the standard of their profession. *Meets* second Friday evenings.

Boy Scouts, a safety valve for surplus energy of boys—a means of training in self reliance, citizenship, personal conduct. *Meets* Friday evenings.

Church School, a training place in Christian faith and conduct. Parents have a right to expect a building with proper equipment (which we do our best to supply), a faculty of properly trained teachers (70 per cent. of our teachers are trained), a lesson system of the best quality. We use the Christian Nature Series covering "Pathways" leading to God, through "loyalty" to God and the church, and "service" to God and man, conveyed in information and memory work deepened in Devotional Life, and expressed in church loyalty and Christian service.

The school has a right to expect pupils to be regular, punctual, diligent and obedient. *Meets* for instruction on Sundays, 9.45 A. M. For work on Friday afternoons, when pupils are trained in the Church School Service League, by practice in church work in the field of the home and parish, the community, the diocese, the nation and the world.

Young People's Society trains its members by discussion and fellowship for church work and Christian life. *Meets* Sunday evenings, 7 o'clock.



Some matters for earnest consideration were submitted to the parish, at this party.

1. A campaign for new members, in which "every one should be a committee of one" in his neighborhood.
2. Shall the evening services be continued? If so, who will attend?
3. Can the parish house be reconstructed?
4. The Vestry suggests that an assistant minister be engaged.
5. The Vestry depends on means supplied by the people. It asks for suggestions, and continued hearty support from the people. *Working together will produce results.*

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

GOAL!

A great deal of pleasure is derived from the effort and excitement of a game.

Solid satisfaction is felt when the effort results in making a goal.

At the beginning of Lent, by vote of the Church School, the "goal" of our Lenten Offering was set at \$600, (about \$80 more than last year's record-breaking sum).

The school enrollment is only about 150. The goal looked far away and hard to reach.

Our means seemed inadequate because St. Philip's School considers its Lenten Offering as confined to the Lenten season, and does not use offerings contributed throughout the year to augment its total. (Its weekly offerings for missions are additional offerings, not counted in the Lenten Offering).

Only the income (1) from the missionary boxes distributed in the pre-Lenten season; (2) from the missionary side of the weekly envelopes for the months in which Epiphany and Lent occur, and (3) from loose offerings at Children's Services in Lent and on Easter Day, are counted in the Lenten Offering for missions. (One class maintains a weekly sacrifice offering from which a portion is given to the Lenten offering.)

The total amount of the 1923 Lenten Offering is \$650.

Laus Deo.

Thanks to all the members of the Church School who worked hard to win the goal.

The money is given to the National Council of the Church for the support of a worker in Alaska, whose Bishop, Bishop Rowe, was with us in St. Philip's on two occasions last year for confirmation. Two of our former teachers and helpers are working in Alaska, Miss Smith and Miss Hill, and some of the picture books made by our boys and girls are giving delight and instruction to boys and girls in Alaska.

The mystery play, "The Little Pilgrims and the Book Beloved" was very successfully given, under the direction of Mrs. A. L. Eyster, on Easter afternoon. It made a deep impression both on the participants and on the congregation.

The following members of the Church School took part:

Mother Church	Eleanor Corliss
Christopher	Philip Goepp
First Little Pilgrim	Helen Corliss
Second Little Pilgrim ..	Salome Riegner
Matins	Claire Williams
Evensong	Bettie Eyer
Litany	Harrison Rees
Baptism	Josephine Goepp
Lady Catechism	Katherine Haines
Confirmation	George Riegner
Eucharist	Edith Seymour
Psalter	Amy Pearce
Matrimony	Jeannet Walker
Visitation of Sick	Peggy Binns
Requiem	Mary Scotney
Churching of Women Elizabeth Dickinson	
Maris Stella	Adelaide Wright
Visitation of Prisoners...	Gladys Fleming
Song of Harvest Home ..	Dorothy Wolf
Family Prayer	Elma Krekell
Ordinal	Jack Seymour
Articles of Religion	Walter Rile
Book Binder	Bruce McHenry
Page	Charles Sackett
Lectionary	Orrick Childs
Calendar	Laurentina Mareno
Preface	Dorothy Colgan
Ratification	Margaret Cardeza
Child of St. Philip's ..	Kath. Krummeich
Attendant	Kitty Wright

During the play, the Lenten Offering was presented to "Mother Church."



"There is nothing the matter with you—absolutely nothing," said the Eddyite. "Can I not convince you?"

"Let me ask a question," said the sick man.

"A thousand if you like."

"Well, suppose a man has nothing the matter with him—and he dies of it—what didn't he have the matter with him?"

BRINGS RELIGION INTO CHILD'S LIFE

Week-day Schools of Religious Training Do Not Seek to Dominate Secular Training

This movement does not aim to bring religion into the Public School but to reintegrate it into the life of the child. One of the most recent experiments, approved by the Department of Religious Education, is the Salina plan. Salina, Kansas, is a city of 18,000. The experiment was launched under the direction of the Very Rev. Victor Hoag, formerly of Batavia, Ill., and now Dean of Christ Cathedral.

The plan in operation is the result of a petition made by the 12 Churches of Salina to the Board of Education. The ministers of these Churches had discussed the inadequacy of the Sunday method of instruction in religion. It seemed the common testimony of all that the Sunday School had failed to give enough instruction in Bible and religion to influence the child and control his conduct. They therefore requested the school to extend to the pupils, whose parents requested it, an opportunity to receive religious instruction during school hours for one period each week, the children to go to their own Church buildings, sufficient time being allowed for passing. Through the special courtesy of the street car system of the city, car service on the trolley was arranged for those who must go a long distance.

Teaching Must Be Thorough

The Churches are prepared to give instruction with the same thoroughness and under the same conditions as the public schools. The Board of Education has granted this on condition that if any Church fails to provide sufficient teaching the privilege may be withdrawn from that Church.

School Credits Not Desired

The children who at present attend no Sunday School may have their parents choose any Church on the card. They will then attend that Church on Wednesday whether they go to a Church on Sunday or not.

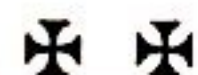
Public School credit is not desired. The school is asked to give time merely. The reporting of the children's absence, should it occur, is the only point of contact with the school, although the Superintendent of the Public Schools is an invited and welcome visitor at all times.

No religious body is debarred from adopting this plan, but only 12 churches have formed schools. It is hoped that in later years every religious denomination will be able to meet the requirements and claim the privilege.



THE PLAN GROWS

The steady advance of Week-day Religious Instruction in co-operation with the public schools. Eighty cities in 24 dioceses granting school time for children to attend school of religious education.



THE CHURCH'S PROGRAM

The Executive office reports that from January 1 to April 10, 1923, St. Philip's is credited on the quota with the following remittances:

From Parish Treasurer	\$675.00
From Woman's Auxiliary, total	74.00
For Jewish Work, Ash Wednesday	9.80
For St. Martha's House	10.00
For Episcopal Hospital	355.86
For Church Farm School	150.00
For Special Appeal, N. W. C. ..	5.00
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	\$1279.66

Church School Lenten Offering, presented April 29	650.00
Total to date	<hr/>
	\$1929.66



A REQUEST

In order to facilitate the counting of the money and the proper recording thereof, the Accounting Warden earnestly requests all parishioners to mark on the face of their envelopes in the space provided therefor just how the contributions are to be credited; that is, show exactly the amount for current expenses and the amount for missions and assessments.

CATHEDRAL LEAGUE

The object of the Cathedral League is to secure an endowment fund for the Diocesan Cathedral.

The dues are 50 cents per year. The duties consists in remembering the Cathedral project and work in prayer.

It is hoped that every one in the Diocese will become a member.

St. Philip's has a goodly number of members, but should have many more.

Annual dues are now payable to Miss Harriet E. Blakiston, 229 South Forty-second Street.



NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB FOR MEN

The time seems ripe for a revival of activity among the men of the community, for the Men's Guild to resume its meetings and to enlarge its scope.

Such work should not be confined to entertainment—that should be a part of the program of the guild or club, but not its primary purpose.

Such an organization of men, and for men, should provide activities by which the parish through its men, could be a greater power in the community, through discussion of neighborhood problems of education, recreation, amusement, housing, etc., and through definite action following careful deliberation.

A course of talks on Current Events, so helpful a few years ago, may well be part of the Guild's program.



The P. R. T. is urging parents to keep their children off the streets.

But where are they to play? Do you realize that present conditions in the neighborhood of St. Philip's force our children to play in the streets which are becoming extremely dangerous through increase of traffic? That there are few (if any) vacant lots left in which children can play? That Clark Park has signs "keep off the grass"? That there is no playground south of Market between the small one at Thirty-fourth and Walnut streets, and Fiftieth and Chester avenue?

LEAGUE OF WEST PHILADELPHIA CHURCHWOMEN

The League of West Philadelphia Churchwomen held its spring meeting in St. Philip's parish house last Wednesday, at which time a large number of women, representing most of the parishes in West Philadelphia were present.

Splendid reports were made showing work accomplished in missions, particularly in the increased number of Mission Study Classes held;—in social service, including a remarkable work being done at the Philadelphia General Hospital and in the community work of the Chapel of the Transfiguration;—and in religious education—in which field a League of Church Parents is in process of formation.

The Dean of the Convocation, Rev. W. J. Cox, addressed the meeting, speaking on convocation co-operation.

Dr. Lee, of St. Andrew's Hospital, Wusih, China, gave an interesting account of the missionary work in China, showing the vast influence of hospitals and medical missions.

The Rt. Rev. Philip Cook, Bishop of Delaware, delivered a forceful speech on missionary opportunity and obligation, stressing the expanding work of the future, and reminding his hearers that the reward of faithful service is always greater opportunity to serve.

Mrs. J. Allison Scott addressed the meeting with a few well-chosen remarks while she presided temporarily during the election of officers which resulted in the reelection of Mrs. T. N. Walker, of St. Mary's as president, and Mrs. Edward C. Bendere, of the Church of the Saviour, as secretary.

The League accepted the cordial invitation of St. Barnabas' Church to hold its October meeting in that parish.



Folks that get weary in well-doing generally haven't done much at it, when you come to hunt up their records. The weariness is usually at the beginning.

THE PARISH FAMILY

A parish, if it realizes its true ideal, is a large Christian family. Its needs are almost identical with those of the ordinary kind of family.

It is as necessary that the members of a parish should know each other intimately as it is that parents and children of the smaller family should be bound together by ties of friendship. In a city parish, where a majority of the members have not grown up together from childhood, but have come from various other parishes in the city and out of it, there is an especial need of bringing all together at frequent intervals for the purpose of meeting and knowing each other. If some provision for this is not made there can be little family spirit. The members of a parish will live as separate and isolated individuals and not as brothers and sisters of the larger family. Some will connect themselves with a parish of this sort because they want the help of the Church, but they will miss the warmth of Christian fellowship. Others, especially those who are not affiliated with any Christian body, will not be drawn into the parish. It will repel them by its coldness and lack of real brotherhood. A parish cannot grow, its public services will not draw and help as they should, its organizations will not be filled with enthusiastic and faithful workers, unless this family spirit exists, unless people are made to feel that they are wanted and that they are to be taken in as members of a loving, happy home.

—Epiphany Star.



WHITSUNDAY

This is supremely the Church's day. It is the day of the Spirit's coming, but the event is not that the Spirit came, but that He came to a body of men to fit them for their work of world conquest. The controlling thought is not of the Spirit, or of the Spirit which inspires a man, but of the Spirit which animates the Church.—Church Calendar.

LAW

The question before the citizens of the country is not: "Is prohibition a failure?" but "*Is the Eighteenth Amendment the law of the nation?*"

This nation considers itself free. Freedom is obedience to law. Perfect freedom is voluntary obedience to a law representing the will of the majority, or issued by one whom we can implicitly trust. Every Christian will keep the law, whether he likes it or not.

But, consider: *Has prohibition been a failure in the short time in which it has been the law of the nation?*

Confessedly there are many weaknesses and many excesses in certain directions.

But "the average arrests for intoxication in the last two full years before prohibition, 1917-18, was 29,759 in Philadelphia. The average for the same offense in the first two full years of prohibition, 1920-21, was 18,081, a falling off of 37 per cent.

The Philadelphia Society for Organizing Charity reports that in 1918, 534 of its cases had alcoholism as a factor; in 1921, only 82.

In the Municipal Court in 1916, 41 per cent. of the cases of domestic trouble were caused by liquor; in 1920, only 6½ per cent.

In the Philadelphia General Hospital in 1918, 2326 cases were alcoholic, in 1921, 702.

Banks throughout the State, with few, if any exceptions, bear testimony to the economic influence of prohibition on the savings of the people.

Savings deposits in the Kensington Trust Co. between January, 1920, and November, 1921, increased over \$1,000,000, and in the first 10 months of 1921, when the financial depression was at its worst, saving deposits in the Textile National Bank increased in the sum of \$1,400,000."

Of course, prohibition deprives citizens of personal liberty (!). So do the laws against murder. Personal liberty is not private anarchy, but voluntary obedience to the law for the public good.

WHO IS THE GOOD CHURCHMAN?

He is the Churchman who knows his Church.

He understands why he is a Church member.

He can give a reason for the Faith that is in him.

He believes that the Bible is the Word of God.

When he says the Creed, he means it.

He sets the highest value upon the "inward and spiritual" part of the Sacraments.

Forms of worship have for him an ever deepening inner meaning.

He believes in Spiritual Growth and prays that he may "daily increase in God's Holy Spirit more and more."

Christ is his Goal.

This is what the Good Churchman is expected to be. It refers chiefly to the inner man.

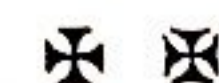
But what is the Good Churchman expected to do?

How may he show that he is a Good Churchman?

Are there, or are there not, certain definite, practical ways in which the Good Churchman may translate his Christianity into Conduct?

What do YOU think?

Answers are invited from the congregation.



THINGS TO REMEMBER

We cannot keep from forming habits, but we have the power to determine the character of those we form. Form good ones.

The habit of church-going never harmed any one; that of staying away has.

It is easier to go to church regularly than it is to go irregularly. Try it.

It is true that God is everywhere, but unless we accustom ourselves to see Him somewhere, and at some time, we shall soon not see Him anywhere or at any time.

If the number of those who attend church service is small, your absence will not make it larger.

Come and help to make the services all that they should be. The Church needs you, and you need the Church.—The Virginia Churchman.

THE SHEPHERD PSALM

Psalm 23

Mrs. John R. Mott gives the following interpretation of the twenty-third Psalm, indicating what the author would find in the Good Shepherd, and the fulfillment in Christ's own words, given by reference.

Jehovah Is My Shepherd

"He maketh me to lie down in green pastures." I shall not want rest. (St. Matt. 11:28).

"He leadeth me beside the still waters." I shall not want drink. (St. Jn. 7:37).

"He restoreth my soul." I shall not want forgiveness. (St. Matt. 9:16).

"He guideth me in the paths of righteousness for His Name's sake." I shall not want guidance. (St. Jn. 14:6).

"Yea, though I walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me." I shall not want companionship. (St. Matt. 28:20).

"Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me." I shall not want comfort. St. Jn. 14:16).

"Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies." I shall not want food. (St. Jn. 6:35).

"Thou anointest my head with oil." I shall not want joy. (St. Jn. 15:11).

"My cup runneth over." I shall not want anything. (St. Jn. 16:23).

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life." I shall not want anything in this life. (St. Matt. 6:33).

"I shall dwell in the House of the Lord forever." I shall not want anything in eternity. (St. Jn. 14:3).



"Everybody is ready to sustain the law he likes. That is not in the proper sense respect for law or order. The test of respect for law is where the law is upheld, even though it hurts."—Charles E. Hughes, Secretary of State.

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The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.
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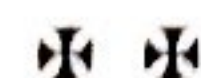
CALENDAR

June.

- 3—1st Sunday after Trinity.
- 10—2nd Sunday after Trinity.
- 11—St. Barnabas' Day.
- 17—3rd Sunday after Trinity.
- 24—St. John Baptist's Day (4th Sunday after Trinity).
- 29—St. Peter's Day.

July.

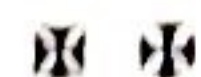
- 1—5th Sunday after Trinity.
- 4—Independence Day.



Parish Register.

Burial.

May 10—Emily Brady.



Altar Flowers.

Flowers are furnished for the Altar as follows:

June

- First Sunday,
- Second Sunday, Mrs. M. T. Ringer.
- Third Sunday, Miss M. Bement.
- Fourth Sunday, Mrs. W. P. Bement.

July—

- First Sunday, Mrs. W. Rommel.
- Second Sunday, Mrs. J. H. Zebley.
- Third Sunday—Mrs. J. H. Zebley.
- Fourth Sunday, Mrs. J. H. Zebley.
- Fifth Sunday,

August—

- First Sunday,
- Second Sunday,
- Third Sunday—Mrs. H. H. Stelae.
- Fourth Sunday,

September—

- First Sunday, Mrs. A. Vandeyoerde.
- Second Sunday, Rev. F. B. Seymour.
- Third Sunday,
- Fourth Sunday, Mrs. G. W. Caldwell.

Flowers are plentiful during the summer, and should adorn the Altar every Sunday.

Application for vacant dates may be made to members of the Altar Guild.



"If at night you find it difficult to sleep, pillow your heart on one of the promises of God."

The Bishop's Resignation.

The resignation of Bishop Rhinelander is a distinct loss to the Diocese and also to each Parish. It is felt as a personal loss by the Rector.

Under stress of modern church work, bishops, unfortunately, cannot come into intimate relationship with individuals of the Diocese. Their office as Chief Shepherd must be delegated to many parochial pastors. This unfortunate situation should be changed by a change in emphasis in Diocesan machinery.

The individual, person and parish, needs the bishop.

The direct cause of the Bishop's resignation is also a result of the tremendous pressure resting on him by the multitudinous duties and responsibilities which have been allowed to be thrust on the Episcopate, which should not be allowed to break down the strength of one chosen to exercise spiritual oversight over his people.

While we do sincerely lament the fact of the resignation, and more particularly the cause, we may reasonably hope that a Diocesan consciousness will be aroused by this event in our history, so that future bishops will not be subject to burdens which are more than they can bear.

Pack horses are necessary parts of army equipment, but the leaders of the army are not used for that purpose. Neither should our bishops be.

If they are to be leaders in prayer and the ministry of the word, they must not be expected also to serve tables.

We pray that release from responsibility of office may release the peculiar talents with which Bishop Rhinelander is endowed, that with restored health he may continue to serve, perhaps in a more Apostolic sense, as a Bishop in the Church of God.



Summer Remembrance.

Let us, wherever we may be, remember St. Philip's and its people and work, at the Feast of Remembrance on the Festival of the Transfiguration, August 6.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

The Joy of Religion. Psalms 100; Isaiah 35; Phil. 4:4-7; Gal. 5:22-25; St. John 15; Col. 1:9-29; I St. Peter 1:3-25.

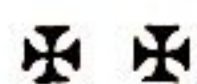
Grant us, O Lord, in all our duties Thy help, in all our perplexities Thy counsel, in all our dangers Thy protection, and in all our sorrows Thy peace and joy, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

God the Creator. Gen. 1; II Esdras 6:42-48; Gen. 2:8-17; Psalms 19; Psalms 33; Psalms 104; Benedicite, P. B. p. 8.

Maker and Lover of Beauty, we adore Thee for the splendor of the universe. Help us to use its wonders and its loveliness as an open door through which we shall enter into the imperishable beauty of Thy kingdom, through Him in Whose face the full beauty of Thy being shone, Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Beauties of Nature. Song of Sol. 2: 10-13; Song 3: 12-16; St. Matt. 6: 26-30; Psalms 148; Psalms 23; Isaiah 32: 1-8; Psalms 121.

O God, we thank Thee for this universe, our great home, for its vastness and its riches, and for the manifoldness of the life which teems upon it, and of which we are a part. We praise Thee for the arching sky and the blessed winds, for the driving clouds and the constellations on high. We praise Thee for the salt sea, and the running water, for the everlasting hills, for the trees, and for the grass under our feet. We thank Thee for our senses by which we can see the splendor of the morning, and hear the jubilant songs of love and smell the breath of the springtime. Grant us, we pray Thee, a heart wide open to all this joy and beauty, and save our souls from being so steeped in care or so darkened by passion that we pass heedless and

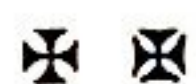


"Special providences are only God's every-day acts made visible to us."

unseeing when even the thornbush by the wayside is aflame with the glory of God. Amen.

The Gifts of God. St. Matt. 13: 1-9; St. John. 15:1-16; St. Matt. 13:24-32; Psalms 24; St. Luke 5-1-11; Psalms 147; Rev. 22:1-5.

O merciful God, Who declareth that while earth remaineth, heat and cold, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease; grant, we beseech Thee that Thy people may not cease to worship Thee in Thy holy temple at all seasons steadfastly and faithfully, so that they may be continually growing in grace and in the knowledge of Thee, all the days of their lives, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.



GOD'S HEALINGS

There's healing by the waters,
There's healing in the trees,
There's healing in the blossoms,
There's healing in the breeze,
There's healing on the mountain,
There's healing in the light,
There's healing 'neath the hemlock,
There's healing in the night.

There's healing in the city,
There's healing where 'tis still,
There's healing on the ocean,
There's healing by the rill,
There's healing in the desert,
There's healing in the rain,
There's healing by the fountain,
And in the rustling grain.

There's healing all about us,
In sunshine and in storm;
God heals His weary children,
When they of strength are shorn.
Thank God for all His healings—
For the flutter of the trees!
Thank God for all His healings—
His winds, His flowers, His seas!
—William C. Allen in *The Living Church*.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

A period of rest is a divine provision for man's welfare. The Jewish Sabbath is distinctly established for the purpose. The Christian Sunday gives a weekly cessation from ordinary toil. Our Lord's invitation to His apostles, "Come ye yourselves apart and rest awhile," indicated His recognition of the human need.

Vacations are necessary to the efficiency of man's work. The summer time should be used for rest, recreation, recuperation, reconstruction and reconsecration.

Rest: "Be still then and know that I am God." Take time for quiet relaxation and meditation."

Recreation: "Behold I make all things new." Actually recreate bodily tissues by the exercise, in outdoor pastimes, of muscles ordinarily unused.

Recuperation: "Recover your grip on life, by restored ambition, ideals, strength, health, through change of scene, occupation and associations."

Reconstruction: "Build up new plans and policies with the renewed ambition and vigor of a rested and restored body and mind."

Reconsecration: Dedicate self to the service of God and man: as a new creature refreshed by contact with nature's freshness and purity, encouraged by the parables of nature so obvious to all who have eyes to see (the persistence of the tiny seed, the beauty of the wayside flower, the joy of the singing bird), to trust God, to live for others, to work more confidently in the coming autumn.

Faithfully yours,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

PARISH NOTES

Services.

During June, July, August and September—

Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.

Morning Service, 11 A. M.

The Rev. ——— will be in charge of the parish during the Rector's vacation.

Important.

Repeating a request, made in former years by the Accounting Warden, it is strongly urged that contributors to the work of the Church would remit regularly during the summer months, or remit their subscriptions before they leave the city.

Expenses continue undiminished during the summer, and it is necessary for income to be maintained.

A neighboring parish has assigned a certain Sunday as "Pay-Up Sunday," asking its parishioners to "Pay up what is owing, and pay up if going away for the summer."

Progress.

Improvements have been made in the Sanctuary, made financially possible by a member of the Vestry and by the Women's Guild.

The Church and Parish House doors have been renovated, part of the expense being borne by the Mothers' Meeting.

The fund for transforming the North Transept of the Church into a Chapel has been almost doubled, also by the Mothers' Meeting.

The necessary funds for the erection of an electric cross are being raised, and it is expected that the cross will be in position early in the autumn.

Does any one else want to "start something"?

Thanks are cordially given to the individuals and organizations who have made this material progress possible.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

As of April 30, 1923.

Assets.

Cash	\$1,912.55
Cash, Petty	10.00
Account Receivable	286.00
In lieu of Pew Rent, Arrearages	184.63
	<u>\$2,393.18</u>

Liabilities.

Special Offerings	\$58.85
Missions and Assessments	385.51
Pension Fund	183.13
Rectory Fund	470.47
Rectory Maintenance	159.93
Unearned Accounts	15.60
General Fund	660.88
Surplus to date	458.81
	<u>\$2,393.18</u>

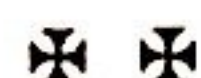
PROFIT AND LOSS

Income.

Pledges	\$2,185.27
Plate Collection	378.59
In lieu of Pew Rents	380.01
Int. from Trustees	346.42
Church School	50.84
Easter Offering	482.85
	<u>\$3,823.98</u>

Disbursements.

Music Guarantee	\$160.00
Rector	1,333.32
Music and Choir	833.32
Sexton	400.00
Chancel Laundry	50.00
Rectory Repairs	7.25
Lighting and Power	96.43
Heat	76.00
Insurance (net)	124.66
Church School	57.41
St. Philip's Record	59.25
Miscellaneous Expense	167.53
Profit and Loss	458.81
	<u>\$3,823.98</u>



TRUE WEALTH

Some have much and some have more,
Some are rich and some are poor,
Some have little, some have less,
Some have not a cent to bless
Their empty pockets, but possess
True riches in true happiness.

—John Oxenham.

St. Monica's.

This parish has shown neighborly interest in St. Monica's summer work for several years, and it is hoped that the accustomed generosity of St. Philip's will be continued this year, to enable the Missionary in charge of St. Monica's to assist his people to spend a healthful and profitable summer.

Please send your contributions to the Rector, marked "For St. Monica's."



THE WOMEN'S GUILD

The meeting of the Women's Guild on May 9 was the last, and one of the most important of the whole season, for it was the time when all money made by "The Personal Effort" was brought in. All the members were interested in this, and the result shows it as the amount was \$182. This money is to be used for repairs on the buildings, besides other repairs needed in the fall. There were some 30 members present. Ice cream and cake were served. The Guild adjourned until October when it is hoped that all will meet again and work hard for the various needs of the parish.

M. W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

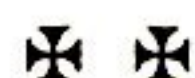


APPEALS

There are many appeals in this issue of "St. Philip's Record." There are many and great needs.

It is not expected that everyone will give to all. It is hoped that everyone will give to some.

Diversity in appeals permits the exercise of diversity in interest.



Gratifying.

The Executive Office reports that for the first four months of 1923, St. Philip's is credited with \$1965.66 on the budget and \$17 for specials.

The Diocesan total for the same period is \$144,547.78.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The school year closes on June 10, with appropriate ceremonies at the 11 o'clock service.

The date for reopening is September 16, at 9.45 A. M.

The school has been fortunate in its corps of active, faithful and efficient teachers and officers.

The pupils have been fairly regular throughout the year, but there is much room for improvement.

We are not satisfied with less than day school average, which at present is nearly 20 per cent. greater than our Church School average.

We trust that parents will remedy this defect next year.

Church Schools throughout the world work under tremendous handicaps, amongst them being:

(a) The Sunday session when pupils are not dressed for work.

(b) Many conflicting home engagements.

(c) Parental indifference to religious education.

St. Philip's Church School endeavors to overcome these difficulties as best it can.

It needs chiefly the hearty interest and support of every parent.

We eagerly look for it next year.



APPRECIATION

St. Ouen, May 8, 1923.

My dear Godmother:

I am sending you this little letter to give you some of our very good news.

I am still serving my apprenticeship, and am doing my best to become an efficient worker. Believe, dear godmother, that I do not forget you; grandmother and I thank you for your kindheartedness, and for your generosity.

Receive, dear godmother, a good kiss and good wishes from your little god-daughter.

LUCIENNE BERNARD.

Bishop's Bricks Fund.

Several members of the Church School attended the Presentation Service of the Bishop's Brick Fund, held at Whitsun-eve in St. Mark's Church, Frankford, when a total of \$2763.46 was given by the children of the Diocese for Church extension within the Diocese at the discretion of the Bishop.

Our share in this sum was \$8.19.



Birthday Thank Offering.

If the women of the Church have a Thank Offering, why should not the Church Schools have a thank offering for their birthday? They have.

Last year, St. Philip's School was the only school representing the Diocese of Pennsylvania at the presentation of the Birthday Thank Offering at the General Convention in Portland, Oregon. Our contribution was \$8.86.

This year we have \$11.46, which, with other sums contributed for the next two years by us (and we hope by other schools, too) will be presented at the next General Convention, to be held in New Orleans in 1925 when the whole amount will be used for educational work in Liberia.



Church School Service League Picnic.

On May 12 the Church School Service League of the Diocese had a picnic at the residence of Miss Gertrude Ely, of Bryn Mawr.

Reports were made by the branches represented, games were enjoyed and refreshments served.

Mrs. Eyster conducted a delegation from St. Philip's School.



Church School Picnic.

YOU are invited to the picnic of the church school on June 9.

We will leave the Parish House at 10.30 A. M. taking the trolley to Chamonix in Fairmount Park.

Plan to go! This applies to adults as well as to members of the Church School. It is a Parish Field day.

THE COLLEGE SETTLEMENT OF PHILADELPHIA

"The gift which you sent for the work this summer has been assigned to our new Farm Camp, which will be a picnic headquarters.

It will be a great pleasure if some of you will make a trip to the Settlement, at least once, and help to conduct a picnic which you have provided. The outing trips have already begun and almost every day after the public schools close will be a picnic day. There is nothing which seems more worth while than to get people out of such a neighborhood as this into the clean country and its fresh air and beauty. We can find places for an indefinite number of personal helpers if only they can be found. If you think St. Philip's Church or the Sunday School can furnish any I'll be grateful for your advice and ready to follow up your suggestions.

ANNA F. DAVIES."



THE CHILDREN'S COUNTRY WEEK ASSOCIATION

"The Children's Country Week Association was delighted to receive the gift from St. Philip's Sunday School and to know that the school was interested in helping the children who otherwise would not be able to enjoy the green fields and other pleasures afforded by country life. It is most gratifying to know that there are friends of these little children who will devote a part of their resources to give them a better chance for moral, physical and spiritual development."



The pupils of the Montessori School held their closing exercises in the Parish House on the morning of May 25, the program consisting of piano solos, French songs and a most interesting and attractive play, "Mother Nature's Trumpeter."

"The old father who boasted that his son was the 'drawback' on the football team at college was accurately describing the activities of some Church members."

CHURCH SCHOOL SERVICE LEAGUE PARTY

The closing session of the C. S. S. L. was held in the Parish House on the afternoon of May 25, and was well attended by the members and the parents of Church School pupils. An exhibition of Church School material and of the work done by the School was shown.

The divisions of the C. S. S. L., which have been most active during the winter, are Division 3 and Division 4. They have done splendid work under the supervision of Mrs. A. L. Eyster.

The following program was presented:

Chorus—"Voices of Spring"

Piano Solo Mary Scotney
Hymn of the Church Seasons..Division 3
Explanation of Poster Charts,

Division 4

Mystery Play—"The Sunset Hour,"

By Mother Church and 12 Children
Josephine Goepp, Peggy Cardeza,
Salome Riegner, Margaret Guild,
Adelaide Wright, Betty Rees,
Kitty Wright, Margaret Corlies,
Virginia Wolf, Lawrence Rile,
Katherine Krummeich, Wyatt Rosborough, Helen Curley.



CHRIST SCHOOL, ARDEN, N. C.

"To the members of St. Philip's Church School,

My dear Friends:

I want to thank all of you for your generous gift to our work here for our mountain boys and girls. Your offering will keep a boy in our boarding school for a month, and I know you will be glad to feel that you have done a definite good to the mountain boy. His home is far up in one of the high mountain lumber camps and it can hardly be called a home because his family moves constantly from one camp to another. We are very grateful.

Yours sincerely,

SUSAN WETMORE,

"Principal."

MOTHERS' MEETING

The closing session of the Mothers' meeting was held Tuesday evening, May 8. There was a good attendance. All seemed to enjoy the opening service, the social time together and the ice cream and cakes.

The table was decorated with pink sweet peas, asparagus fern and pink candle shades.

The year has been a successful one, for which Miss Ashburner and her helpers feel thankful.

The amount of our United Thank Offering, for the last six months, was \$46.07.

From the "Missionary Box," which is placed on the table at every meeting, we gave \$5 towards Dr. Burke's salary at St. Stephen's Hospital, Ft. Yukon, Alaska, and \$12 added to the \$17 already contributed by the Mothers' meeting to the chapel, which we hope to see in the north transept of St. Philip's Church. We have also promised to paint the parish house door, by which we all go in and out to the Mothers' meeting, and have raised \$10 for the purpose.

Sixteen members have given their annual dues to the Cathedral League.

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings on Tuesday nights.

Many thanks to kind friends who have taken an interest in us and to those who have given financial aid.

S. W. B.



MY GARDEN

A garden is a lovesome thing, God wot!
Rose plot,
Fringed pool,
Ferned grot—
The veriest school
of peace, and yet the fool
Contentends that God is not.
Not God! in gardens when the eve is cool?

Nay, but I have a sign;

'Tis very sure God walks in mine.

—Thos. Edw. Brown.

Bishop Rhinelander Fund.

That the diocese should erect a memorial to its Bishop is both inevitable and fitting.

What that memorial should be is a matter for deep and long consideration. It is proper that Bishop Rhinelander should designate the object of the memorial.

Meanwhile, everyone in the Diocese should, and it is confidently believed that every one in St. Philip's will, contribute generously to the BISHOP RHINELANDER FUND.

An offering is to be taken on June 3, but be sure to send your contribution to the Accounting Warden if prevented from presenting your offering in church on that day.



SUNDAY EVENING

The day of rest is now far spent
And twilight steals across the sky;
The sun's last rays die in the West
And night is nigh.

The shepherd leads his homeward flock
Along the peaceful water side,
Where vessels, anchored, gently rock
Against the tide.

The nightingale, his wondrous voice
Uplifts to Heaven his sweetest praise;
The moon, now rising, sendeth down
Her silver rays.

Across the hills the church bells ring
Upon the silent evening air;
Their sound brings peace to many a heart,
Weighed down with care.

The gentle night wind's murmurous voice
Soft stirs the air and seems to tell
To bird and beast and human kind
That all is well.

The moon long since has gone to rest,
The stars shed forth their fitful gleam;
While o'er the brooding solitude
God reigns supreme!
—Marie Louise Root in *Living Church*.

"God's work is never small work, no matter how unimportant it may look."

Know Your Church.

Knowledge, interest and support are a trinity, closely related and interdependent.

Without knowledge we have no interest, and give little support to any object or movement.

With knowledge our interest is aroused, and support follows automatically.

This trinity is connected with the church's financial situation, which resulted last year in a deficit of \$440,000.

Few people knew, consequently had little interest and gave too little support.

Let Us Remedy the Situation.

Let us know something worth knowing about our church.

Let us manifest some definite interest in some definite piece of church work.

Let us support that work heartily.

Become an authority on some Christian activity.

The Church has a big commission from her Master.

Do you know what it is? Are you doing your share? If not, why not?

(Figures elsewhere show that St. Philip's is giving splendidly. This article is intended less to increase directly our giving, then to deepen our interest through vital knowledge.)

Bishop Johnson, of Colorado, urging more people to read "The Witness" (a weekly church paper costing \$2.00 a year) says: "Our constituency is the most illiterate, although not the most ignorant of any ecclesiastical organization in America."

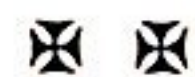
The Episcopal Church has a larger number who cannot read—Church literature—than has any other religious body.

"The Church News," giving information concerning the Diocese of Pennsylvania (for \$1 a year), has a subscription list of less than 2500, though there are more than 60,000 communicants, or, say, 15,000 families in the Diocese.

"The Spirit of Missions," the best missionary magazine in the country, only \$1 a year, gives descriptions of the work actually being done by our missionaries, and planned by the National Council. It is the official magazine of the Church. Month by month it draws the picture of fields white to the harvest.

Without any question, *every* family of Church people OUGHT to subscribe to and read carefully, at least *one* of these magazines. It is really a moral obligation to know what our own organization is doing.

Most of our families could very well afford to subscribe to all of them. The result of their increased knowledge of Church work will be greater interest in the work, and increased contributions for the work. Deficits will disappear.



HOUSE OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

The House of St. Michael and All Angels for Colored Crippled Children is at the present time caring for 50 children and owing to lack of facilities is turning others away.

We have during the past month purchased premises 609 North Forty-third street, which adjoins our "Boys' House." When this property is renovated it will enable us to accommodate a greater number of children. The funds to purchase this property were taken from our Endowment Fund, which reduces our income, as caring for additional children increases our expenses.

It is our desire to increase our Endowment Fund to such a size that the income received from it will be sufficient to cover all our expenses, but until this is done it is necessary for us to appeal to you for a contribution, either for the Endowment Fund or Maintenance, in order that this most urgent work may continue without curtailment.

Divinity School Commencement.

St. Philip's has again been honored by being chosen as the Church in which the Annual Commencement of the Divinity School was held on Thursday afternoon, May 31.

The awarding of diplomas and degrees, and the sermon by the Rt. Rev. Alexander Mann, D. D., Bishop of Pittsburgh, made a memorable occasion.

An informal reception was afterwards held on the grounds of the Divinity School.

Church Work Among the Deaf.

April 1, 1923.

To the Good People of the

Province of Washington:

The Commission on Church Work among the Deaf cordially commends to your interest and support the Society for Work among the Deaf whose appeal follows. This society was founded five or six years ago by the Deaf Missionaries of our Province and has accomplished notable results. Its objects are two-fold: first, to provide funds for the education of deaf candidates for the Sacred Ministry; and second to enable the Commission to increase the meager salaries and to defray the large traveling expenses of the Missionaries. Without this society neither of these worthy objects can be met. One man has already been educated for the Ministry and another is in course of training, both of whom have found this society an invaluable help. Fortunately the two Theological Seminaries in our Province, the Virginia Seminary and the Philadelphia Divinity School, are most sympathetic with the Commission in this work and make special provision for deaf candidates.

Two years ago the Commission took over the financial affairs of the society and is now administering them. Mr. Arthur Boehm, of Baltimore, treasurer of the Executive Council of Maryland, has graciously consented to serve as treasurer without pay, for which aid the Commission is most grateful.

The Commission asks your liberal support.

On behalf of the Commission,
WILLIAM LOYALL GRAVATT,
Chairman.
ARTHUR CHILTON POWELL,
Secretary.

"Christianity's best defense is always a life, not an argument."

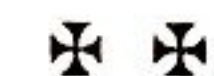
Out in the Fields with God.

The little cares that fretted me
I lost them yesterday,
Among the fields above the sea,
Among the winds at play,
Among the lowing of the herds,
The rustling of the trees,
Among the singing of the birds,
The humming of the bees.

The foolish fears of what might happen,
I cast them all away
Among the clover-scented grass,
Among the new-mown hay,
Among the husking of the corn,
Where drowsy poppies nod
Where ill thoughts die and good are
born

Out in the fields with God.

—E. B. Browning.



Here Is a Plan That Is Spreading.

Some months ago a plan was suggested similar to that described in this paragraph with a question to which no answer has been received. Shall we try it in St. Philip's?

"Church Sunday School classes are being held during the sermon period in increasing numbers. The children come to Church with their parents, take part in the service, and during the latter part of the service and the sermon are absent in the classrooms for instruction; when the sermon is over parents and children go home together.

In parishes where it is desired that the children be present during the celebration, classes are held during the first part of the service. After the sermon, during the offertory, the children come in and remain for the celebration, about which they have previously been instructed. This prevents them from forming the habit of going home in the middle of the service."

—"The Witness."

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

My dear Young People:

Perhaps you have read the Literary Digest for May 19, page 34. For fear that it has escaped your notice I quote some sentences from an address by the Rev. Dr. William E. Gardner, secretary of the Department of Religious Education of our National Council. I know Dr. Gardner well, and heartily endorse his statements. He says:

"There is in the youth of today a sincerity of purpose and a will and a determination to do good that has not been surpassed in any period of the world's history. Boys and girls today want to be right, and they know they cannot be right unless they connect with power. The youth of the land knows well that the religion of Jesus Christ has a sure help towards the solution, and the movement of the youth is toward and not away from the Church. It intends to restore some of the joy and cheerfulness that have been taken out of Christianity. Most Christians have a conscientious feeling that unless goodness is accompanied with a due amount of discomfort it is not goodness. But the youth of today repudiates this idea (as our Lord did). With the ordinary boy and girl there is ceaseless questioning about everything, and religion, the greatest subject that man can investigate, does not escape.

"Youth is searching for the power that Christianity has always had, the power that can be applied every day. Youth is hunting for truth, and is interested in non-material objectives of life because world events compel them to that kind of interest. Most of the inhabited parts of the world are explored. The adventures of life are no longer in discovering countries. The adventures of the future, youth knows, are in the realm of ideas. Every boy and every girl with ambition knows that success depends more on morals and mind than on muscle.

"The reinterpretation of religion is much needed today. It is no new situation in history. Whenever doctrines or religious customs cannot be interpreted to hold the interest of youth, the end of

those doctrines and customs is in sight. If they have no vital truth they become side eddies in the stream of human interest. If they have vital truth, youth finds it and clothes it in new phrases and figures and stories, and makes it an asset in human endeavor.

"Everywhere boys and girls are looking for spiritual power. They may call it by different names, but they seek spiritual power.

"They will find the power they need in religion where mankind has found it throughout the ages."

These are serious statements which I hope you will read with interest and attention.

Next autumn or winter it would be very profitable if the Young People's Society could study and discuss the "Problems of Youth," and see how much light the teachings of the Youth of Nazareth throw on our difficulties. It would be splendid if we could have an open forum for the free and full discussion of the thoughts which are in our minds.

Think it over during the summer, so that we can make plans "when we meet again."

F. E. S.



Answers.

George Riegner answered all four questions on "An Old Calendar of English Flowers" printed in last month's "St. Philip's Record" correctly.

Murdoch and Richer Goodwin both answered all questions correctly, except that Holy Cross day and Holy Rood day were identified.

The first (the Holy Rood of May), May 3, is known as the Invention (or finding) of the Cross by the Empress Helena, the mother of Constantine the Great, in A. D. 326.

The second (the Holy Rood of September), September 14, commemorates, in the Greek Church, the vision of Constantine of a Cross in the sky, with the words, "In hoc signo vinces," and in the Western Church, the recovery of the Cross from Persia in the seventh century.

George described his five holy days as All Saints day, November 1, in remembrance of the faithful departed.

Christmas, December 25, the birthday of Jesus Christ.

Candlemas, February 2, the day of Christ's presentation in the Temple.

St. John Baptist's day, June 24. St. John's birthday (an old name for martyrdom).

St. Swithun's day, June 15, a bishop celebrated for humility and charity. (I wonder why he did not choose April 23.)

Murdoch described

Christmas, the celebration of Christ's birth.

St. Catherine was a Christian martyr of the fourth century.

All Hallowtide is the day which precedes All Saints' day.

St. Michael is regarded in the Christian world as the chief of angels.

St. Margaret was a Christian martyr of the fourth century.

Richer's list was

Lady-tide, the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary by the angel Gabriel telling her she was to be the mother of Jesus.

St. Barnabas was one of St. Paul's apostles (companions).

St. John the Baptist was the forerunner of Christ and also His cousin.

Candlemas is the Feast of Purification of the Virgin Mary.

Christmas-tide is the birth of Jesus.



HYMNAL DEVOTIONS

Did you ever use your hymnal as a book of private devotions? You would find it very helpful. And will you permit me to make the following suggestions, using the New Hymnal as a model? Of course you can expand the outline.

"The poorest use for a man's brains is to think forever about himself."

At the beginning of the service:—

Hymn 67, "Thou art coming O my Saviour."

(See how aptly this fits the moment and the mood.)

"Thou are coming: at Thy table

We are witnesses for this;

While remembering hearts thou meetest

In communion clearest, sweetest,

Earnest of our coming bliss;

Showing not Thy death alone.

And Thy love exceeding great

But Thy coming and Thy throne

All for which we long and wait."

At the consecration:

You are come not only to worship Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, but to bring to Him all your cares and needs.

Hymn 402, "Thou knowest Lord the weariness and sorrow."

"Therefore we come, Thy gentle call obeying

And lay our sins and sorrows at Thy feet;

On everlasting strength our weakness staying,

Clothed in Thy robe of righteousness complete;

Then rising and refreshed we leave Thy throne

And follow on to know as we are known."

Before your communion.

Hymn 323, "I am not worthy, holy Lord!"

"I am not worthy; yet my God

How can I say Thee nay:

Thee, who dost give Thy flesh and blood My ransom price to pay?

O come in this sweet morning hour

Feed me with food divine!"

Thanksgiving after communion:

Hymn 286.

"Lord it is good for us to be

High on the mountain here with Thee."

Hymn 356.

"Fairest Lord Jesus,

Ruler of all nature,

O Thou of God and man the Son;

Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,

Thou my soul's glory, joy and crown."

—"The Witness."

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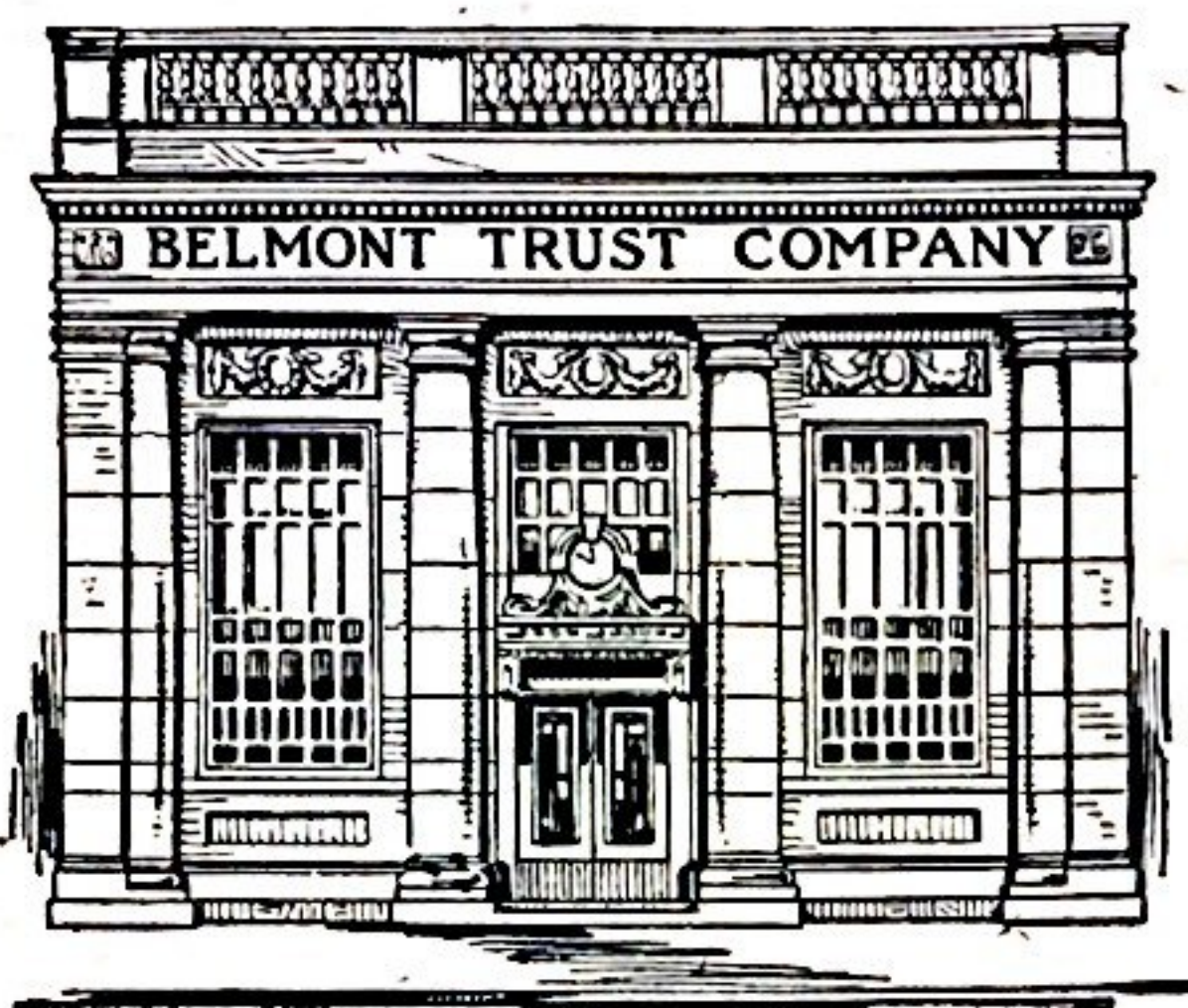
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CALENDAR

October.

- 7.—19th Sunday after Trinity.
- 14.—20th Sunday after Trinity.
- 18.—St. Luke the Evangelist.
- 21.—21st Sunday after Trinity.
- 28.—St. Simon and Jude. (22d Sunday after Trinity.)

November.

- 1.—All Saints' Day.
- 4.—23d Sunday after Trinity.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptisms.

- June 3—Richard Franklin Ennis, Jr.
- June 10—John McGilpin Wylie, Jr.
- June 22—Frances Williams Skerrett.

Communicants Received

- Sept. 23—Rev. J. J. Joyce Moore
Mrs. Grace Benning Moore
Paul Benning Moore
(from Chapel of the Mediator)
- Katherine Bredin
(from St. Peter's, Butler, Pa.)

Marriages.

- July 28—Francis Jackson Daniel and Emily Caroline Gilliams.
- Sept. 15—James Stinson Scott and Irene Emma Maginniss.

Burials.

- June 2—Sophie D. Fulton.
- June 20—Clara G. Read.
- June 28—T. Birch Starling.
- August 20—Hannah L. Wheeler.
- Sept. 23—A. E. Perinchief.



ALTAR FLOWERS

It is desirable that memorial flowers should be placed on the Altar each Sunday. It is a fitting manner in which to remember our friends who are in the invisible part of "the communion of saints." Most of the Sundays of the year have been selected for this purpose by various parishioners.

The month of October is exceptionally bare of memorials—only the first Sunday being taken.

Applicants for the remaining Sundays in October, and for other vacant Sundays, are asked to confer with Miss Marguerite Bement or with any member of the Altar Guild.

A CHURCH THAT BELIEVES IN ANGELS

"Chaplain, it's a mighty big comfort to belong to a Church still so uncaptured by modernism as to believe in honest-to-God angels." This remark followed a speechless walk from a camp Communion service at the point where the paths of the chaplain and a young marine diverged. It was the celebration on St. Michael and All Angels' Day, in the midst of the ghastly influenza epidemic during the war. The chaplain, later on, describing that service, said: "The Epistle with its stirring symbol of Michael's war, the Gospel with its assurance of guardian angels brooding over us, the collect crying out for forces greater than our weak selves to aid us and defend us—how they did bring home the ultimate triumph of the hosts of God amid an earth shaken and ill!"

The Church nurtures her children in the belief in angels. She provides a special festival to celebrate their order and service. The life of our Lord, from the Annunciation to the Resurrection, is attended by angels. The Bible story, from Eden to the Revelation, is now punctuated by the flaming swords of angels, or glorified by their beatific appearance, and its supernatural nature is confirmed again and again by their agency. We approach the ever-recurring Feast at the Lord's Table "with angels and archangels."

They are around us. The Church emphasizes their defence. She has not lost them; some of us have. We do not turn the stones that stir their wings. The estrangement from heavenly companionship is ours, not theirs. Michaelmas, with its assurance of the reality of angelic society and support, recurs once more. It finds us mercifully spared the mortality and sickness amid which the festival that evoked the marine's confession regarding the reality of angels was observed. But it finds us as truly beset by a world confused and bewildered and rearing itself from the aftermath of war. Shall we avail ourselves of that angelic confidence the Church bids us share? Shall we be conscious of the unseen ministry? Shall we rely upon the promise, "He shall give His angels charge over thee to keep thee in all thy ways?" —St. Andrew's Cross.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

Angelic Ministry.

Sunday—St. Luke 1:8-20.

Monday—St. Luke 2:8-20.

Tuesday—Acts 1:6-11.

Wednesday—Psalm 103.

Thursday—Heb. 1.

Friday—Acts 1:1-19.

Saturday—St. Matt. 18:1-10.

Prayer. O Everlasting God, Who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order; mercifully grant that, as Thy Holy Angels always do Thee service in Heaven, so, by Thy appointment, they may succour and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 291 (N. H.).

Church Work.

Sunday—St. Matt. 25:14-19.

Monday—Isa. 61:1-5.

Tuesday—Rom. 12:3-8.

Wednesday—I Cor. 3:6-11.

Thursday—Isa. 58:6-12.

Friday—St. Mark 13:33-37.

Saturday—Isa. 6:1-8.

Prayer. Lord of all power and might, we humbly pray Thee to awaken in all Thy people such a deep sense of their privilege to maintain and set forward the work of Thy Holy Church throughout the world, that by their faith and zeal, Thy Blessed Name may be glorified, and the bounds of Thy Kingdom be enlarged; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 459. (N. H.)

Afflicted Japan.

Sunday—St. Mark 13:1-13.

Monday—Rom. 5:1-11.

Tuesday—St. Luke 13:1-5.

Wednesday—II Cor. 11:18-30.

Thursday—I St. Peter 4:12-19.

Friday—St. Luke 6:20-35.

Saturday—Heb. 12:1-11.

Prayer. O God, merciful and compassionate, Who art ever ready to hear the prayers of those who put their trust in

Thee; graciously hearken to us who call upon Thee on behalf of the stricken people of Japan. Grant them Thy help in this their need. Uphold with Thy strength those who minister to them in their suffering. May the Christians experience Thy peace in the midst of tribulation. May those who now know Thee not be led to Thee through the power of Jesus Christ working through His disciples. Amen.

Hymn 503. (N. H.)

Religious Education.

Sunday—St. Luke 2:42-52.

Monday—Acts 17:2-4, 10-12.

Tuesday—Exodus 20:1-17.

Wednesday—Ecclus. 6:32-37.

Thursday—I Kings 3:5-12.

Friday—St. Matthew 18:1-6.

Saturday—Deut. 6:4-9.

Prayer. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Who hast committed to Thy Church the training of Thy children; enlighten with Thy wisdom those who teach and those who learn, that rejoicing in the knowledge of Thy truth they may worship Thee and serve Thee from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 365. (N. H.)

Personal Religion—Patience.

Sunday—Psalm 37.

Monday—St. Luke 21:5-24.

Tuesday—Heb. 6:9-20.

Wednesday—St. Luke 5:1-11.

Thursday—St. James 1.

Friday—Rev. 3:7-22.

Saturday—I St. Tim. 6:6-19.

Prayer. O Thou God of patience and of all consolation, Who knowest well our weaknesses and difficulties; help us to possess our souls in patience, to maintain unshaken hope and firm trust in Thee, that we may be strengthened with power in all patience and endurance to do our work with joyful hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 493. (N. H.)

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Home coming and resumption of accustomed duties are occasions full of possibilities and opportunities to be realized as we apply our freshened mental and physical strength to the tasks before us.

Our parochial life places upon us a responsibility; for a parish is intended to be a receiving station of God's blessings, only that it may distribute those blessings broadcast.

As were the early disciples of our Lord, so are we, united in a common bond.

Our common aim is to deepen our Christian life.

Our common interest is to demonstrate that aim in practical service.

Our common opportunity is to reach the unchurched in and beyond our neighborhood.

Our common obligation is to share our life in every way with others.

As we fulfill our common purpose, we ourselves will receive a beneficial reaction. We can only approach perfection through service.

With such an ideal before us during the coming winter, this parish will develop and grow. Without it, it will not.

The most pressing task before us, as we commence our work is, of course, Japanese relief; through the Red Cross agencies for general assistance, and—a more particular obligation for Church people—through the Church for the reconstruction of buildings and equipment destroyed by the appalling earthquake.

God's grace be with us all in our common work.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

PARISH NOTES

VESTRY CHANGES

At the last Vestry meeting Mr. Ralph A. Hershey was unanimously elected to succeed Mr. Starling.

Owing to removal from this part of the city, Mr. Russell Bement has resigned as Accounting Warden.

The Vestry reluctantly accepted the resignation with expressions of appreciation of the years of faithful service rendered by Mr. Bement.

Mr. Charles L. Filbert was elected Accounting Warden.

Appreciation.

Two events occurred during the summer requiring action by the Church, and, during the absence of the Rector, the Vestry acted with commendable promptness and efficiency.

A meeting to protest the proposed ele-

vated railroad on Forty-second street was called, to be held in our Parish House. That proved too small for the number of persons who came, so that the meeting was held in the Woodland Presbyterian Church. (Mention has frequently been made of the inadequacy of our Parish House.)

A special service in memory of the late President Harding was held on August 10, with a large congregation. Addresses were made by the Rev. Mr. Ryan and by Mr. Charles C. Kinney.

The Rev. J. J. Joyce Moore, for many years Rector of old St. Andrew's Church, Eighth below Spruce streets, until it was sold to the Greek Church, and still technically its Rector, has very kindly offered his services to the Rector as co-worker. He will assist in the services in Church and in visiting. The Parish will be much helped by the labors of Mr. Moore. St. Philip's welcomes Mr. Moore and his family.

RESUMPTION OF PAROCHIAL ACTIVITIES

October is the month when all the "machinery" of the Parish is running on "full time." We do not anticipate "strikes." There is plenty of "overtime." There is a shortage of workers, a surplus of work.

Fit yourselves in somewhere.

Women's Guild, second Wednesdays at 3 P. M.

Woman's Auxiliary, last Mondays at 2.30 P. M.

Altar Guild, on duty, in courses, all the year.

Mothers' Meeting, Tuesdays at 8 P. M.

Choir Rehearsal, Fridays at 8 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew, fourth Wednesdays at 8 P. M.

Boy Scouts, Troop 241, Fridays at 7.30 P. M.

The services during the summer were in charge of the Rev. Jesse A. Ryan, of the Diocese of Harrisburg, who has recently become Rector of St. Mary's Church, St. Louis, Mo.

It may interest our parishioners to know, that due to the foresight of the Accounting Warden, the coal bins of our Church and Parish House are well-stocked with coal.

The Church will hold, comfortably, about 100 per cent. more than the average congregation.

Once again, the vacant lot next to the Church is for sale. It is an opportunity to the Parish, or a menace. We ought to own the lot for our own protection. A concerted effort would produce sufficient resources to purchase the property, so that we could control its future. Why not?

URGENT

The books of the Parish show a large deficit owing to small income during the summer months.

PLEASE REMIT all unpaid pledges and subscriptions.

A LOSS

After a long period of semi-invalidism, T. Birch Starling passed to his eternal rest on June 25. Formerly a member of Trinity Church, Southwark, for many years Mr. Starling had been a vestryman of St. Philip's.

Regular in his attendance at the services, active in his interest in the welfare of the parish, energetic as Chairman of the Property Committee of the Vestry, he will be greatly missed.

May light perpetual shine upon him.



A REQUEST

If you have recently moved into or within or without the community please notify the Rector of your present address.

If you have recently come to St. Philip's the Rector will be glad to receive your name and address, in order that he may welcome you personally.

Non-registered communicants are asked to procure their Letters of Transfer to this Parish, in accordance with the canon of the Church.



BROTHERHOOD PLANS

The parish chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew proposes to hold a "Brotherhood Service" on the second Sunday evening of each month, for which the Rev. Mr. Moore has been appointed to procure special speakers.

At the monthly meetings of the chapter, after the transaction of business, sections of "The Story of the Program" will be discussed.

The Brotherhood will meet on the Fourth Wednesday evening at 8 P. M.



OUR QUOTA ACCOUNT

The Executive Secretary has received thus far \$2676.49 applying on our Missionary quota of \$5205.41.

The balance of \$2528.92 will surely be raised by the end of the year if we all fulfill our pledges.

Of course, contributions to the Japanese Emergency Fund cannot be credited on our quota.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Sessions—Sundays at 9.45 A. M.
Fridays at 4.00 P. M.

Faculty.

Director—the Rector.

Assistant Director—Mr. H. O. J. Childs.

Secretary—Mr. A. E. King.

Treasurer—Mr. C. L. Filbert.

Lower School.

Principal—Miss Irene Neuman.

Secretary—Miss Eleanor Wignall.

Teachers—

Kindergarten—Miss Margaret Williams.

Primary First Grade—Mrs. Charles F. Sackett.

Primary Second Grade—Miss Violet Tobin and Miss Fannie Knowlton.

Primary Third Grade—Miss Elizabeth Zebly and Miss Emma Hood.

Primary Fourth Grade—Mrs. G. F. Edwards and Miss Elizabeth Eyer.

Upper School.

Principal—Mr. H. O. J. Childs.

Teachers—

Grammar Fifth Grade (Boys)—Mrs. L. H. Riegner.

Grammar Fifth Grade (Girls)—Mrs. A. L. Eyster.

Junior High, Seventh Grade (Boys)—Mr. Kenneth McHenry.

Junior High, Seventh Grade (Girls)—Mrs. W. Crowell.

Junior High, Eighth Grade (Boys)—Mr. Paul Moore.

Junior High, Eighth Grade (Girls)—Mr. R. C. Flanders.

Junior High, Ninth Grade (Boys)—Mrs. K. Rosborough.

Senior High, Tenth Grade (Boys)—Mr. W. C. Foster.

Senior High, Tenth Grade (Girls)—Mrs. Kenneth McHenry.

Bible Class—Mr. Ralph A. Hershey.

Supervisor of Teaching—Miss Nellie P. Ferry.

Public School grading is followed in St. Philip's School.

The Faculty meets for conference on the second Monday evening in the month.

The Christian Nurture series of lessons is used.

Parents and friends are cordially invited to visit the School.



A LETTER FROM OUR FRENCH WARD

Dear Benefactor:

I have received your letter and you are remembered again by my grandmother. I am always at work and I try my best to give pleasure to the people who are interested in me.

I am 14 years old and have no father or mother; my grandmother is good to me, and I try to pay her back through work and love. I am very well and hope that my letter finds you the same.

Receive, my dear guardian, from your daughter, much love and thanks. Grandmother joins me and wants to be remembered to you.

LUCIENNE BENARD.

An interesting acrostic was seen in the Church School room of St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich, Rhode Island, which the Rector attended as a member of the faculty of the R. I. Summer School:

P rayer
R everence
O bedience
G enerosity
R egularity
E arnestness
S incerity
S ervice

It would be well if St. Philip's Church School adopted this motto for the year and worked it out.



BOY SCOUTS

Troop 241 has commenced its meetings again. All boys over 12 are urged to come. Come along boys! Fridays at 7.30 P. M.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

To the Pupils of St. Philip's Church School:

The message of Superintendent Broome to the pupils of the Public Schools in Philadelphia may be adapted to our own Church School, for it comes with equal force.

"In our Church School there are twenty-six officers and teachers who are devoting much of their time to your welfare, so that you may have the best possible spiritual preparation for your life work. But they cannot succeed without your help. You must do your part; that means regular attendance, faithful preparation of lessons and obedience to the rules of the School."

We desire greatly to have more pupils in our School—and there are numbers of young people in our neighborhood who attend no Church School. We desire even more earnestly to have our School stand for the highest quality possible, and we are willing to sacrifice quantity, if need be, for quality, so that we dare to say that no one is desired as a pupil who will not be orderly and diligent.

Our School stands for work, real study, just as the public schools do.

There is so much work to be done that the Sunday session is not sufficient, and a session on Friday afternoon is necessary in order that the work of the School may be complete. Please arrange therefore for these two sessions as far as possible.

F. E. S.



THREE SIMPLE FORMS OF GRACE AT TABLE

Be present at our table, Lord;
Be here, as everywhere, adored.
These mercies bless, and grant that we
May feast in paradise with Thee.

—John Wesley.

Grant, Lord, Thy blessing with Thy gifts, and for all Thy mercies make us truly thankful. For Christ's sake. Amen.
—Bishop Harris.

Heavenly Father, accept our gratitude for these gifts; mercifully remember the hungry who are not fed. And forgive us all our sins. For Christ's sake. Amen.

CHURCH SCHOOL SERVICE LEAGUE

We have been asked to send a Christmas Box to St. Lioba's School, Wuhu, China, in care of Sister Edith Constance. Owing to the distance the box must be mailed before October 15, that means that we must start to collect materials immediately. Some of the pupils of the Church School have undoubtedly been busy making articles for the box during the summer.

The following is a list of things needed: Powder, rattles, material for dresses for babies, dolls for three girls and balls for two boys, aged four; stuffed animals for three girls, aged about seven; beads, necklaces and powder for fifteen girls, about fifteen (kind of powder not stated); large handkerchief and soap for a boy, aged seventeen; toilet water and soap for ten women workers, gifts for three men helpers.

Note: In reading "The Story of the Program" one is impressed by the fact that an early response to the preaching of the Gospel in foreign lands is a request for soap! Cleanliness is said to be next to Godliness. Psa. 24:4 says, "Who shall ascend unto the hill of the Lord? Even he that hath clean hands and a pure heart."



DRY LEAVES BECOMING GREEN

"When the writer went to 'Sunday' School, he was given a dry-as-dust leaflet. Now those little leaves are becoming green, for the roots of the publishing houses whence they issue have been spaded around by the energetic Dr. Gardner, and his able assistant, Rev. Lester Bradner, Ph.D., and some pep injected called 'the Christian nurture principles.' If you don't know what these five principles are, it is time you took the teacher training course, many units of which are now ready. Did you know that we are so in earnest about this business of having good teachers, that there has been created an Association of Accredited Church School Teachers? Why don't you belong?"

JAPAN

The National Council has informed this Diocese that "Our estimate, based on Bishop McKim's cable, indicates \$500,000 NEEDED IMMEDIATELY."

This sum includes the Emergency Hospital asked for by Dr. Teusler, and estimated to cost \$100,000; it also includes furnishing our own missionaries with clothing, furniture and temporary homes, and finally aiding the new Christian Church of Japan in taking care of its clergy, their salaries and necessities of life at the present time.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Council, it was unanimously decided to adopt an emergency budget for Japanese relief of at least \$50,000 as our fair share of the amount mentioned by the National Council. As this is almost exactly 10 per cent. of the budgets already asked from the parishes, it was determined that each parish should be asked to raise 10 per cent. of its missionary budget for this special need.

The share asked from St. Philip's is \$326.90.

Immediate response is requested. The first \$10,000 will be applied towards the Diocesan pledge for Dr. Teusler's Hospital, for which an appeal was made in Church on September ninth.

GIVE. GIVE QUICKLY. GIVE GENEROUSLY.

The National Council reports the following losses to the Japanese Church in the District of Tokyo:

The Cathedral
Christ Church
All Saints' Church
Grace Church
St. Timothy's Church
Church of the True Light
Church of the Love of God
St. Paul's Middle School
St. Margaret's School
St. Luke's Hospital
The Bishop's House and business office.

Fifteen residences of clergy, teachers and others.

St. Paul's University and the Theological School were partly destroyed.

Probable loss of property in the suburbs of Tokyo and in surrounding cities regarding which no report has been received.

The furnishing and equipment of all these churches, schools, hospitals and other buildings were lost.

Our missionaries in the stricken area lost their homes, furniture, clothing and books.

Doubtless the native clergy and workers had corresponding losses.

The first native bishop of the Holy Catholic Church in Japan is Dr. Motoda, a graduate of the Philadelphia Divinity School, who will be consecrated in December.

The young people of the Church School will certainly desire to help in Japanese relief. The offerings made by them and separately remitted will be used as far as practicable for the welfare of the children of the Sunday Schools and kindergartens in Japan.

The entire offering of our Church School, otherwise undesignated, for the last three Sundays in September was devoted to this purpose.



JUST FILLING OUR OWN PLACE

We often think that if we had that man's means or that man's ability or that man's opportunity, we could do something worth doing; but, as we are, there is no possibility of any great thing. Yet God does not want us to fill any other man's place, or to do any other man's work. God wants us to improve our own opportunity with the possessions and the powers that He has given us. It is a very great thing for us to do the very best we can do just where and as we are. God asks no one of us to do more than this, nor has any one of us a right to do less.
—M. D. Babcock.

"THE STORY OF THE PROGRAM"

This is the most interesting description thus far published of the Church's work—the work our representatives are doing—in the various fields over which our Church has responsibility.

It is dynamic. It is compelling.

We are disgruntled, if we only know that money is needed all the time. We are disinterested, if we give only, without knowledge of the field. We are alert and alive, if we know what to do, through the use of our money.

Our money works vicariously for us. It is reasonable that we should know how much work our money is really doing. Read "The Story of the Program," which will tell you.

It is a record of Christian faith and heroism and adventure. It is a challenge to be pathfinders and light-bringers.

The mission field is setting the pace for Christian activity. Home parishes are in danger of immersion in a sea of conversation and dry-rot. Knowledge of what the Church has done, is doing, has opportunity to do, will stir us up to intense devotion and interested activity, and increased liberality.

Read "The Story of the Program" this fall. It costs one dollar, and can be purchased at the Church Home.

4000 MAN-SIZED JOBS IN THE CHURCH

When the vice president of the National Council learned of this pamphlet ("Church Progress," issued by the Department of Publicity of the National Council), he said: "Tell them for me that we want four thousand live-wire men to act as business managers or executives, under the rectors, of the parishes in our Church." Now Mr. Lewis B. Franklin is a man of his word. He left the vice presidency of the Guarantee Trust Company to come to the Church Missions House. He also knows how to use men, for he is the man who directed the Liberty Loan campaigns for Uncle Sam during the recent world mix-up. What does he mean?

He means that new business methods are coming into our parishes, and present-day ways of organization are calling for laymen to take a hand. The entire burden of the parish should no longer fall on the rector. The laymen should lift the heavy end. The annual canvass has become as carefully organized a matter as a salesmanship campaign. Teams and captains are chosen and drilled, and then sent out to explain the work of the Church throughout the world, and the parish budget, which is one pillar in the economic foundation of the wonderful structure of our Church that we are daily rearing.

The system of dividing all the people of the parish into groups has come into vogue, and this group system is kept up throughout the year.

THE WORLD'S BIBLE

Christ has no hands but our hands,
To do His work today;
He has no feet but our feet,
To lead men in His way;
He has no tongues but our tongues,
To tell men how He died;
He has no help but our help,
To bring them to His side.

We are the only Bible
The careless world will read;
We are the sinner's Gospel,
We are the scoffer's creed;

We are the Lord's last message,
Given in deed and word;
What if the type is crooked?
What if the print is blurred?

What if our hands are busy
With other work than His?
What if our feet are walking
Where sin's allurements is?
What if our tongues are speaking
Of things His lips would spurn?
How can we hope to help Him
And hasten His return?

—ANNIE JOHNSON FLINT.

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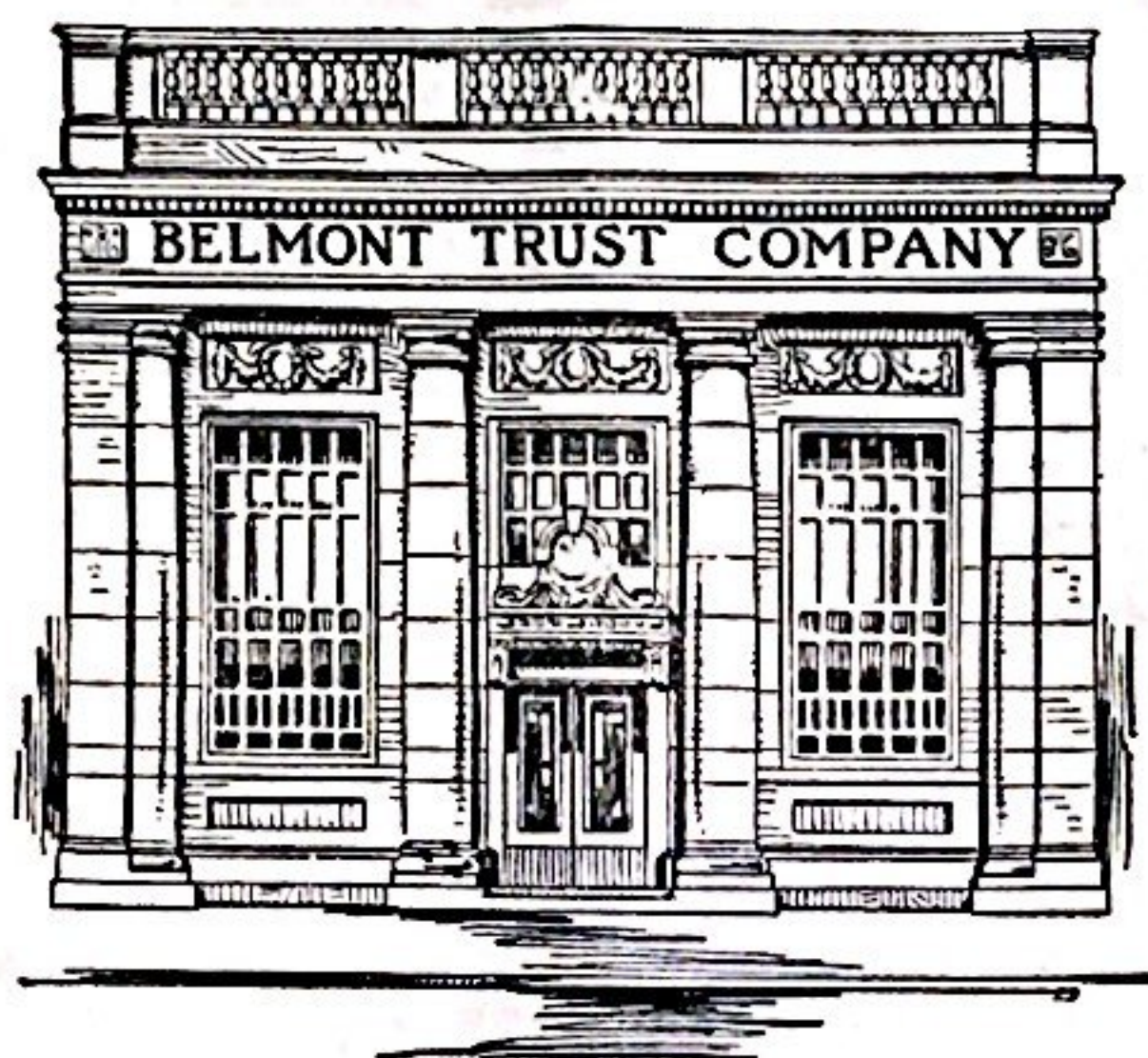
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SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
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7.45 P. M. Evening Service

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November.

1. All-Saints' Day.
4. 23d Sunday after Trinity.
11. 24th Sunday after Trinity.
18. 25th Sunday after Trinity.
25. Sunday next before Advent.
29. Thanksgiving Day.
30. St. Andrew's Day.

December.

2. First Sunday in Advent.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptism.

October 14—John Carnahan Milligan
Robertson.

October 21—Arthur Franklin Cobb, Jr.
Marriage.

October 5—Willis Charles Weil and
Helen Ball Nelson.

Burial.

October 12—Mary Pugh Goheen.

Communicants Transferred.

October 4—Anne Louise Johnson,
Dorothy Martin Johnson, to Church of
the Saviour.

October 22—Robert Thomson, Mrs.
Robt. Thomson, Marion Thomson, to
Church of St. John the Evangelist, Lans-
downe.



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November—

All-Saints', Miss Bussom.
First Sunday, Miss E. Sachse.
Second Sunday, Mrs. E. T. Walker.
Third Sunday, Mrs. J. A. Aikens, Jr.
Fourth Sunday, Mrs. John Loman.
Thanksgiving Day, Mrs. W. B. Rulon.

December—

First Sunday, Robert Wark.
Second Sunday, Mrs. W. P. Bement.
Third Sunday, Miss M. Bement.
Fourth Sunday,
Christmas Day,
Fifth Sunday,

Applications for vacant Sundays
should be made to Miss Marguerite
Bement.

HER MESSAGE

Along the fateful wires their message
reached me,
That one we loved was dead.
Black darkness fell, and then I heard her
speaking,
"It is not true," she said.

"Not true?" I cried, "Doth love's wild
yearning mock me,
One last faint hope to give?"
Her word came thrilling with a new,
glad cadence,
"I have begun to live."

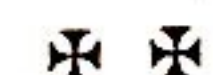
"Yet must we mourn our loss, whose
hearts your leaving
Hath grieved this wide world 'round."
"Nay, Heart, rejoice you must, could I
envisage
For you what I have found.

"Your earth is fair, but O, our world is
fairer;
Your joys how pale and fleet!
His face we see, and in His radiant
presence
All rest and toil are sweet."

"Then could we learn God's purpose in
your going,
Your tasks on earth not done?"
With such a smile as earth could never
image,
She breathed, "I have not gone.

"In hours and homes, when friends I
love are meeting
In fellowship and prayer;
When music charms, or some rare sun-
set stirs you,
I shall be with you there.

"Still in the work we shared I shall not
fail you,
While your fond hearts are true;
And when He calls you, in the home we
dreamed of,
I shall be waiting too."
Howard Arnold Walter, in "Good News."



"Jesus lives! Henceforth is death
But the gate of life immortal."

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

Our Beloved Dead.

Sunday—Wisdom 3:1-9.

Monday—Revelation 19:1-16.

Tuesday—Wisdom 5:1-16.

Wednesday—Revelation 21:1-22:6.

Thursday—Ecclesiasticus 44:1-15.

Friday—Revelation 7:9-17.

Saturday—St. Matthew 5:1-12.

Almighty Father, with Whom all souls do live, be mindful, we pray Thee, of all Thy servants who have gone before us in Thy faith and fear, and who now, through Thy mercy, rest in peace. Grant them, O Lord, in patient waiting of Paradise, ever increasing light and felicity; and grant that together with them, we may finally have our perfect consummation and bliss in Thy eternal and everlasting glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 295 (O. H. 176).

The Communion of Saints.

Sunday—I Corinthians 15:1-11.

Monday—Romans 8:31-39.

Tuesday—Ephesians 2:1-10.

Wednesday—Romans 6:1-11.

Thursday—Romans 8:14-28.

Friday—I Thessalonians 4:13-18.

Saturday—II Corinthians 4:8-5:9.

Our Heavenly Father, we rejoice in the blessed communion of all Thy saints, wherein Thou givest us also to have part. We remember before Thee all who have departed this life in Thy faith and love, and especially those most dear to us. We thank Thee for our present fellowship with them, for our common hope, and for the promise of future joy. Grant to us such a measure of communion with them as Thou knowest to be best for us, and bring us all to serve Thee in Thine Eternal Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 167 (O. H. 394).

The Sorrowing.

Sunday—Psalm 23.

Monday—Revelation 7:9-17.

Tuesday—St. John 14:1-21.

Wednesday—St. John 11:1-36.

Thursday—St. John 11:37-45.

Friday—Psalm 116.

Saturday—I St. John 3:1-3.

Almighty and everlasting God, the Comfort of the sad, and the Strength of sufferers, let the prayers of those who cry out of any tribulation come unto Thee, that all may rejoice to find Thy mercy is present with them in their sorrow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 402 (O. H. 630).

Thankfulness.

Sunday—Psalm 107.

Monday—Habakkuk 3:17-19.

Tuesday—Philippians 2:1-11.

Wednesday—Ephesians 5:22-33.

Thursday—Psalm 147.

Friday—St. James 1:16-27.

Saturday—Isaiah 32:1-8.

Most gracious God, the Fountain of all blessing; Thou hast opened Thy hand to fill us with all good things; Thou dost govern us as a King, Thou feedest us like a Shepherd, Thou keepest us beneath the shadow of Thy wings in safety, Thou providest for us as a Father, Thou lovest us as a Friend and thinkest on us perpetually, and art exceedingly merciful to all that fear Thee. Unto Thee, O Lord, we ascribe all thanks and praise. Amen.

Hymn 425.

The Kingdom of God.

Sunday—St. Mark 13:21-36.

Monday—St. Matthew 25:1-13.

Tuesday—St. Luke 12:35-40.

Wednesday—St. Matthew 24:32-44.

Thursday—Revelation 3:1-6.

Friday—St. Luke 21:25-36.

Saturday—Rev. 3:10-22.

Almighty God, Who in Thy Providence hast made all ages a preparation for the Kingdom of Thy Son; we beseech Thee to make ready our hearts for the brightness of Thy glory. Awaken us from our slumbers. Quicken us, O Thou Who art the Eternal Life. Revive and deepen our faith in the spiritual realities. Kindle our affections and restore us to hope. Our eyes wait for the glorious and blessed dawn. Let us behold that Day-spring from on high, that we may live in peace; through Jesus Christ our Saviour and our King. Amen.

Hymn 54.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Our religious life is too often indefinite and therefore non-productive.

We need a complete, yet simple, "program of work" which must cover the personal and the social—the inner life and the outer conduct.

I submit a very practical program, which I wish each one of you would adopt and make effective during this winter. YOUR PARISH would be strengthened—so would YOU.

The great need of the Church is not more organization, but more activity of the unorganized.

The best "publicity agent" of the Church is an earnest, active Christian.

Praying that God's blessing may prosper our work, I am,

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

A PROGRAM FOR AN ACTIVE PARISH

Intensive: To know God.

EVERY member of every family attending Church Services.

(a) Holy Communion at least once a month, praying for some definite need for the parish, the Church, you friends, yourself.

(b) Morning and Evening Prayer, at least once a month each.

Extensive: To make God known.

1. EVERY Parishioner searching for and reporting new arrivals in the community. Every family should be responsible for its own block. Every family should endeavor to bring at least one new family to Church.

2. EVERY Parent sending the children to Church School regularly. EVERY Pupil attending punctually and diligently. EVERY Family studying the Bible and using some kind of family devotions.

3. EVERY Parishioner combining with others to serve, in some definite Christian Social Service—e. g. Community improvement (needed near St. Monica's Church), elimination of "ash-day" untidiness; provision for Community Playground.

4. EVERY Family well informed on the work of the whole Church, (a) through subscription to The Church News of the Diocese and The Spirit of Missions; (b) through careful study of The Story of the Program and other literature issued by Parish, Diocese and National Council—to know what the Church is doing in her Departments of Missions, Religious Education, Social Service, Publicity and Finance.

5. EVERY PERSON who receives the privileges of the Church, pledging and paying his proportionate share of the expenses.

PARISH NOTES

Confirmation.

The Bishop has appointed the morning of the Feast of the Epiphany, January 6, 1924, as the time for Confirmation.

Start the New Year right by receiving this spiritual strength, if you are not confirmed, or by renewing your spiritual strength if you are confirmed—by attending service on that occasion.

Confirmation Instructions are given on Monday afternoons at 4 o'clock for Juniors, and on Sunday evenings at 7 o'clock for adults.

All are invited to the instructions, whether confirmed, or "desirous of being confirmed" or not. This is an opportunity to study some of the elements of Christianity.

Altar Guild. Additional workers are desired, who will assist in the care of the Altar and Chancel, serving one or two months each year. It is a sacred privilege, open to women. Please confer with Miss Bement.

Brotherhood Service. The service under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew for the second Sunday evening in October was well attended, nearly one hundred being present, of whom about thirty were men. The Rev. Edward H. Bonsall, Jr., Diocesan Missioner, was the preacher. The second such service will be held on November 11.

OUR QUOTA ACCOUNT

Up to September 30th, the Executive Secretary credits St. Philip's with \$3006.12, applying on our quota of \$5205.41.

Will the remaining \$2200 be received by December 31? It is the biggest privilege in the world to share in the spread of the Church's influence all over the world—the greatest influence in civilization.

Statements issued by our Finance Committee remind us of any amounts pledged which were unpaid by September 30th. These belated remittances will help.

Thanksgiving Day—

Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.

Morning Service, 11 A. M.

There should be a full attendance of the entire congregation on this day—as a national duty as well as a religious desire.

TO YOU

You are invited to an informal Parish gathering on the evening of November 2d. This is a "get acquainted" opportunity. The "temperature" of a Church is regulated by the degree of enthusiasm its members possess.

You can help St. Philip's to be a warm, cordial Church—or you can help it to be a cold, repelling Church!

It is not usually the Church's fault that its people do not know one another. There are numerous opportunities during the year for mutual acquaintance if one desires it.

We want YOU.

ST. PHILIP'S FINANCES**Receipts Oct. 1 to Oct. 21**

Plate Collections	\$65.26
Pledges	475.05
Subscriptions	23.00
Rectory Fund	58.35
Rectory Maintenance	45.00
Church School	83.15
Initial Envelopes	5.45
Sundries	12.50
Japanese Fund	22.82
Missions	282.20
	\$1072.78

SUMMARY

Balance on hand Oct. 1st	\$901.87
Receipts, as above	1072.78
	\$1974.65

DISBURSEMENTS

Church Expenses	\$165.19
Pension Fund	75.00
	\$240.19
Accounts Payable	\$1388.79
Sundry Special Funds	1983.00
	\$3611.98
Cash, as above	1974.65
	\$1637.33

DEFICIT, Oct. 21st

CHARLES L. FILBERT,

Accounting Warden.

Japanese Fund

From Offerings	\$147.02
From Church School	35.84
Through Woman's Auxiliary ..	130.00
	\$312.86

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

The aim and object of the Women's Guild is to assist, in every possible way, in the work of the Parish—financially and socially. It is a real "Parish Aid Society."

The meetings are held on the second Wednesday afternoon of each month from October to June at 3 o'clock. The dues are \$1.00, payable in January.

It is hoped that every woman in the Parish will attend the meetings and become a regular member of the Guild, for there is an increasing work to be done.

The Guild's first meeting of the season took place on October 10th. There was an exceptionally large attendance, and four new members were welcomed.

All women, and their families, will be interested in the plans for the winter, one of which is described below.

During the summer the Guild has lost three members by death: Mrs. H. B. Read, Miss Anna Fox and Mrs. J. Warren Goheen. Two members of the Guild have had deaths in their families. By removal from the city we have lost three of our very helpful and interested members.

This all means that there is room for each woman in the Parish in the Guild's work.

Mrs. J. Warren Goheen, who passed away on October 8th, was for many years the President of the Ladies' Aid, which was formerly the name of the Guild. She was untiring in her efforts and help for the Guild, and continued her interest until her death. She will be missed in many ways.

The Guild extends to her family its sincere sympathy.

MARTHA W. HARPER,

Corresponding Secretary.

**THE GUILD'S NEW PLAN**

A new method has been adopted this year to raise funds to carry on our work, and it is earnestly hoped that each and every member of the families receiving the following letter will feel it a privilege to make an early response.

"The Women's Guild of St. Philip's Church, in its annual effort to raise \$1000 or more for the needs of the Parish, is issuing the enclosed card. The value of each card is \$10—of each block on the card \$1.00.

"Will you help as generously as in the past by taking as many cards, or blocks, as you can?"

"Please reply not later than November 9th to the President.

"MRS. J. H. ZEBLEY,

"218 South 45th street."

NOTE:—The Rector desires to express his satisfaction that the Guild has demonstrated his firm conviction that a Parish can be made independent of the traditional "bazaar," which in the past has been regarded as almost indispensable—like rented pews, which are also things belonging to the past. More money, with less effort, has been secured, with more general approval, than ever resulted from bazaars.—F. E. S.

The Guild contributed \$25 to the Building Fund of St. Giles' Mission, Stonehurst, in memory of Mrs. Goheen, whose nephew, the Rev. Walter C. Pugh, is Priest-in-charge.

The Mothers' Meeting opened its winter's work on the evening of October 23d, under the direction of Miss M. Ashburner. Meetings will be held, as heretofore, every Tuesday evening.

**CANVASS**

Plans are being made for the annual Canvass for Church support for 1924.

It is EVERYONE'S duty to share liberally in maintaining both the work of the Parish and the Parish's obligations to general Church work.

Statistics show that the cost of living is about 76 per cent. more than in 1913; that in Philadelphia, living costs 5 per cent. more this year than last. This makes it more difficult to live, individually. The Church is affected in two ways: ITS living cost has correspondingly increased, and the increase must be met in some way. In most cases salaries or income have not proportionately increased, so that parishioners are not able, in some cases, to meet the larger need.

Your pledges for 1924 should take these things into consideration, and should be made conscientiously, as God's stewards.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The Annual Sunday School Institute of the Diocese was held on October 15, at St. James' Parish House, 2210 Sansom street. About ten of our people attended. Helpful conferences were held in the afternoon and stirring addresses were given in the evening.

The Rev. W. A. Jonnard, of Georgia, spoke on the Church School Service League, describing, in a most interesting manner, the work done by members of the League in the South. He displayed many articles made by the boys and girls, for sick folk, mission boxes, etc.

The C. S. S. L. of Georgia has given a motor boat, "The Georgian," to a missionary in Alaska.

Christmas Gifts

Our C. S. S. L. has sent a box of Christmas presents to St. Lioba's School, Wuhu, China. Two other boxes are to be sent before the end of this month, one to the Canal Zone, the other to South Dakota.

Gifts for the Indians of the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota are to be prepared before November 17.

We need all the workers who can possibly come to the C. S. S. L. meetings to make and arrange the necessary gifts, that the children in these several parts of the world may have a happy Christmas.

Monday session. The C. S. S. L. meeting day has been changed from Friday to Mondays at 4 o'clock. Every pupil is urged to come and work.

Troop 241.

Several new members have joined our troop. The Scout Master, Mr. Miller, is ready to receive others.

On October 13 the troop paid a visit to the U. S. S. Topeka.

A Troop Committee has been appointed, consisting of Messrs. A. E. King, U. G. Beath, J. A. Eyster, F. J. Field, Jr., and the Rector.

QUESTIONS FOR PARENTS

1. Are all of my growing children enrolled in our Sunday School?

2. Do I realize that the Sunday School is at present a necessary link in the education of my children, supplied by no other agency?

3. Do I appreciate the difficulties under which the Sunday School does its work, namely: Voluntary attendance and voluntary instruction? Have I given the Sunday School credit for what it has accomplished in the face of these difficulties?

4. Is my attitude toward our Sunday School such that my children, through me, respect the Sunday School?

5. Am I personally acquainted with my child's teacher? Have I ever met her in my own home? Have I ever conferred with her about my child's work, or thanked her for her faithful service, voluntarily rendered? Have I ever criticized her before my children, or to myself? Have I ever inquired how I might help her?

6. Am I really willing to dedicate all the religious training and instruction of my children to the Sunday School, without help, sympathy or co-operation from myself?

7. Am I personally helping to make my home and our school such places of religious nurture that my children, naturally and gladly will confess Jesus Christ, and be eager to take their place in the fellowship and service of His church?

Questions for Pupils.

1. Who was Sisyphus?
2. How is St. Philip's School like Sisyphus?



"Religion is neither a code of ethics, nor a body of formulated beliefs, but a life, derived from and lived in Christ, the perfect Revealer of God. . . . This new life is offered to all men, irrespective of aught else save the desire to know and to follow the Truth."—S. J. Tyson.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

THE FOLLY OF FOLLIES

Letting a Young Child Chose Which Church It Will Attend, Or, Making Church Going an Elective.

There are certain manners and customs which most families take for granted. They do not debate them, discuss their expediency, or hold suspended judgment concerning their propriety. The great majority of families do certain things from fixed habit. They get up regularly every day and they go to bed at a certain time every night. They eat three meals a day. They take some exercises and do some work. They send their children to school, and regulate their diet and their physical habits. Going to school is not made an elective in family life. Neither are a child's intelligence and moral sense appealed to on the question of getting up in the morning and going to bed at night. They must do these things. Their performance is not left in the hazy zone of persuasion.

We believe that church-going as a family custom should be placed by parents among the customs that are not debatable. Children ought to go to church with their fathers and mothers as a matter of course. It is likely that they will either go as a matter of course or that they will not go at all. If church-going is an elective—"Johnnie, would you like to go to church with us? Mother wants you so much"—Johnnie will not turn out to be a churchgoer.

If parents are persuaded that church-going is a good family habit, it would be well to stop asking their children whether they want to go to church. Just take them! Don't discuss the matter! Don't leave any room for the suggestion that the custom is debatable! "I don't want them to grow up to hate church-going." Yes, we have heard that too. We have heard it from wishy-washy people who were limp in all their definitions of family discipline. What they really mean when they say they don't want their children to grow up to hate church-going is that it is not an important enough matter to

have a scene about or to say firm words about or to lay down any rules about.

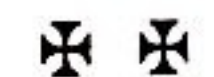
Besides, it is not necessary to lay down rules. Parents do not lay down rules about children going to school. Children are sent to school. They go. No child is led to suppose that children are ever permitted not to go to school. Going to school is like eating breakfast. It simply takes place. No one commands it or discusses it, or evokes parental authority to carry it into execution. It just happens. So church-going for children, along with their parents, ought just to happen—and happen normally, just as breakfast happens.

A child who has gone to church with his parents may turn out to hate churches and to despise religion. But if he does so, his parents may at least have the consoling memory of a family pew where on Sundays they with their children knelt in God's house to ask for forgiveness, understanding, and a grace to live a Godly and a Christian life.

—"The Churchman."



"Age puts some lines on our faces, trouble puts some and work puts some, but the deepest are carved by the lack of faith."—Booth Tarkington.



THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

"There is a communion, a fellowship of the saints, in which we and they have an equal and enduring share. As we come near to our Lord in prayer and realize in the Eucharist His presence and the part which we have in common with His 'Whole Church' in the benefits of His sacrifice of love, so do we find ourselves in living touch with them. We name them in our speech with God the Father of the one great family; and we know that we and they are 'all one in Christ Jesus.' This is, at any rate, a part of the Christian answer to the questions of innumerable mourners."

A. H. R. ROBINSON.

ROOSEVELT'S IDEAS ON CHURCH GOING

The late Theodore Roosevelt was a faithful church attendant. Whether at his country home or in the busy press of Presidential duties he made it the practice of his life to attend divine services. An excuse did not keep this great American from Sunday worship, it had to be a reason of real consequence.

These are his points on church going:

"In this actual world, a churchless community, a community where men have abandoned and scoffed at or ignored their religious needs, is a community on the rapid down grade.

"Church work and church attendance mean the cultivation of the habit of feeling some responsibility for others.

"There are enough holidays for most of us. Sundays differ from other holidays in the fact that there are 52 of them every year. Therefore, on Sundays go to church.

"Yes, I know all the excuses. I know that one can worship the Creator in a grove of trees, or by a running brook or in a man's own house just as well as in church. But I also know, as a matter of cold fact, that the average man does not thus worship.

"He may not hear a good sermon at church. He will hear a sermon by a good man who, with his good wife, is engaged all the week in making hard lives a little easier.

"He will listen to and take part in reading some beautiful passages from the Bible. And if he is not familiar with the Bible, he has suffered a loss.

"He will take part in singing some good hymns.

"He will meet and nod or speak to good, quiet neighbors. He will come away feeling a little more charitably toward all the world, even toward those excessively foolish young men who regard church-going as a soft performance.

"I advocate a man's joining in church work for the sake of showing his faith by his works."—*Association Men.*

DEATH IS LIFE

Death is a beginning, not an end—a gateway into the light, not a door into the dark.

It is a birthday into a new state of existence (accompanied, it is true, by birth pains, as was our entrance into this part of life—but they are transient, compared "to the joy that a man is born").

Paganism has shrouded death with funeral emblems and heathen customs—broken pillars, sombre clothes, etc.

Christianity breathes joy and triumph, gladness and peace.

The best respect we can pay to the departed is not paid by weeping in the cemetery—"Why seek ye the living among the dead?"—but by praying in the Church, at the Altar of Fellowship and Communion.

Our friends depart through the door into another part of the Father's House in which are many rooms. "Let not your hearts be troubled." F. E. S.



JACK TAR ASHORE

The sailor is of all men the most to be pitied for the unequal conditions of life which he endures. He is at sea in cramped quarters for long stretches of time with little or no chance for healthy recreation, and when he comes ashore he is the prey of all the forces of evil combining to separate him from the pay which has accumulated into a tidy sum.

Our church is the only church which has seriously grappled with this problem. In all our large ports we are establishing Seamen's Church Institutes. The one in New York city is the model for all the rest. Here in this magnificent building the sailors have every facility for sleeping, for fellowship, for checking their belongings, for banking, for enlisting with ships and for spiritual help.

We have a Seamen's Church Institute in this city. Offer to do your bit in meeting the problem of the sailor who bursts the restraining dam of the narrow ship for the liberty on shore which so often means license.

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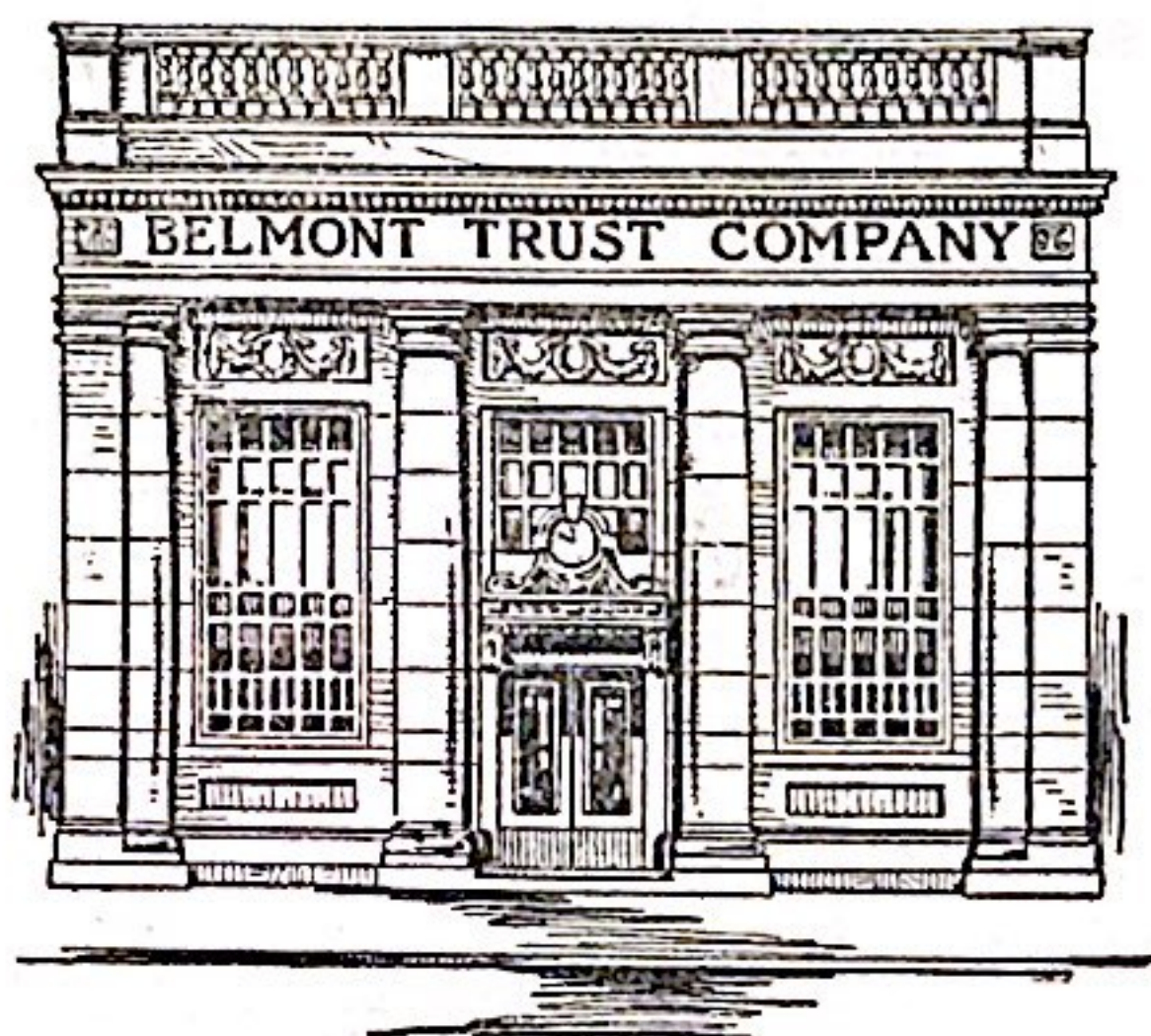
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Rector:

Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
11.00 A. M. Morning Service, (First and Third Sundays
Holy Communion)
7.45 P. M. Evening Service

Thursdays
and
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M. Holy Communion

All Seats Free

"A House of Prayer for All People"

CHURCH SCHOOL

Sundays, 9.45 A. M.
Mondays, 4.00 P. M. (Church School Service League).

STANDING NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.

Prompt notices should be given of change of address.

The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for Baptisms, Marriages or Burials.

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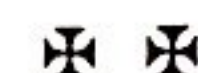
CALENDAR

December.

- 2—First Sunday in Advent.
- 9—Second Sunday in Advent.
- 16—Third Sunday in Advent.
- 19, 21, 22—Ember Days.
- 21—St. Thomas' Day.
- 23—Fourth Sunday in Advent.
- 25—CHRISTMAS DAY.
- 26—St. Stephen's Day.
- 27—St. John the Evangelist's Day.
- 28—The Innocents' Day.
- 30—Sunday after Christmas.

January.

- 1—Circumcision.
- 6—THE EPIPHANY.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptisms.

October 28—James Edgar Boyd, Alan Biddle Conner, John Walter Marker.

Marriage.

November 17—John Birely Clothier, Jr., and Katharine Church Loman.

Communicants Received.

October 27—Elsie Connell Johnston, from St. James' Church, Hestonville.

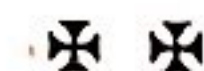
October 28—Bertha Mathieu Goodwin, from St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket, R. I.

November 2—Anna A. Addison, from Chapel of the Mediator.

November 8—Ida Louise Dryden, from St. Simeon's Church.

Communicants Transferred.

October 31—Louis L. Gregg, William P. Gregg, to Chapel of the Mediator.



Men's Corporate Communion.

In accordance with a custom for many years, the men of the Parish will attend a corporate Communion Service on the First Sunday in Advent, December 2, at 7.30 A. M.

It is inspiring to witness 60 and more men, "besides women and children," at the Altar of our Lord—

"And thus that dark night
With the last Advent we unite,
The shame, the glory, by this Rite
Until He come!"

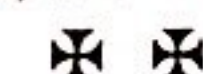
FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE A PRAYER

By B. A. M. SCHAPIRO

Faith like unto Abraham's,
Lord and Saviour, grant to me!
Faith of holy Martyrs, Saints,
Let my lot, my portion be!
Faith, that moveth mountains, seas;
Faith, that things unseen now sees;
Faith that never dims its light,
Ever burning, ever bright.

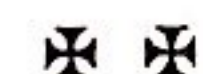
Hope that God's own people, too,
In Christ's blessings have a share!
That in Him they be made whole,
Be once more the favored heir!
Hope that soon will come the day,
For which fervently we pray,
When in Jesus Christ the Jew
All His glory will renew!

Love compassionate, dear Lord,
From Thy wounded breast impart
To Thy kinsmen, to Thine own,
Purify their erring heart!
Never let Thy love abate!
Banish from their heart all hate!
Jew and Gentile let them be
Ever brethren, one with Thee!



Christmas Decorations.

You will, of course, desire to share in providing suitable decorations for Christmastide in Church. Your contributions are earnestly solicited by the Altar Guild.



Altar Flowers.

Memorial flowers are supplied for the Altar as follows:

December—

First Sunday, Robert Wark.

Second Sunday, Mrs. W. P. Bement.

Third Sunday, Miss M. Bement.

Fourth Sunday, Miss L. G. Conrad.

Christmas Day, Mrs. C. E. Jones.

Fifth Sunday.

January—

First Sunday, Mrs. H. A. Stevens.

Second Sunday, Mrs. T. B. Starling.

Third Sunday, Mrs. H. McKnight Moore.

Fourth Sunday, Mrs. M. T. Ringer.

Applications for vacant Sundays should be made to Miss M. Bement.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

Advent.

Sunday—St. Matt. 24:23-31.

Monday—St. Matt. 24:3-14.

Tuesday—Acts 1-11.

Wednesday—St. Matt. 16:24-28.

Thursday—St. Mark 13:28-37.

Friday—St. Luke 21:25-28.

Saturday—1 Cor. 11:23-26.

O Christ our God, Who wilt come to judge the world in the manhood which Thou hast assumed; we pray Thee to sanctify us wholly, that in the day of Thy coming our whole spirit and soul and body may so revive to a fresh life in Thee, that we may live and reign with Thee for ever, to Thine honor and glory Who with the Father and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth ever, one God. Amen.

Bible Reading.

Sunday—Isa. 40:1-11.

Monday—Jer. 36.

Tuesday—Heb. 4.

Wednesday—II St. Tim. 3:14-4:8.

Thursday—Rom. 15:1-13.

Friday—II St. Peter 1:12-21.

Saturday—St. Luke 21:35-38.

Blessed Lord, Who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life which Thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Ministry.

Sunday—I Sam. 3.

Monday—Isa. 6:1-8.

Tuesday—Ezek. 33:1-10.

Wednesday—St. Matt. 11:2-10.

Thursday—St. John 1:1-18.

Friday—I Cor. 4:1-5.

Saturday—II Cor. 5:20-6:10.

O Lord, we beseech Thee to raise up for the work of the Ministry, faithful and able men, counting it all joy to spend and be spent for the sake of Thy dear Son, and for the souls for which He shed His most precious blood. And we pray Thee

to fit them for their holy function by Thy bountiful and heavenly benediction, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Rejoicing.

Sunday—Phil. 4:4-13.

Monday—Phil. 2:1-18.

O God, Who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of Thine only Son, Jesus Christ; grant that as we joyfully receive Him for our Redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold Him when He shall come to be our Judge, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Christmas.

Christmas Day—St. Luke 2:1-14.

St. Stephen's Day—Acts 6.

St. John's Day—St. John 1:1-18.

The Innocents' Day—St. Matt. 2:13-18.

Saturday—Heb. 1.

Sunday after Christmas—St. Luke 2:15-21.

We adore Thee and give Thee thanks, Holy Child, Prince of Peace, most gracious Jesus, Desire of all nations, Hope of the ends of the earth! We offer Thee humble and hearty thanksgiving, and we yield ourselves to Thee in obedient service, Who for us men came down from heaven and dwelt among us and died for us, and ever liveth to make intercession for us, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

New Year's Eve. Rev. 21:1-5.

O God of Endless years; Give to each of us in this little day of life which remains, some share in the working out of Thy eternal purposes for men. Show us where we may stand in the battle, and arm us for the fight. Fill our weakness with Thy strength; touch our hearts with Thy love; gird us with a measure of Thy great patience and cheer us with the confidence of final victory through Him Who is the Captain of our Salvation, Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Christmas Carol service will be held on the evening of the Sunday after Christmas, December 30, at 7.45.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

We approach the end of the calendar year, as we commemorate the beginning of the Christian year.

Our thoughts incline to sadness over "the misspent time that's past" but we rejoice over the birth of our Saviour Who Himself is Alpha and Omega.

Life is always ending, never ended; always beginning, never completed until wholly united with our Blessed Lord.

As we look back we find regrets at failures, conscious and unconscious. As we look forward we find inspiration and hope to "press on." Looking backward is often dangerous. Remember Lot's wife.

Advent joy of commemoration and anticipation is a more Christian feeling than Advent fear and repentance, though repentance is undoubtedly the basis on which true joy can be found.

There is a comforting thought in an ending,—whether of a day, a year or a life. The mind and body, fatigued with toil and stress, stop temporarily for rest and refreshment to enable them to take up the larger duties of "tomorrow."

There is an encouraging thought in a new beginning,—a fresh start, with opportunities for new and greater achievements.

"Press on" therefore in the year of our Lord, 1924, in the work of our Lord, in the love of our Lord and of all our brethren in Christ.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

PARISH NOTES

The Parish Social, on November 2, so admirably arranged by Messrs. Coho, Witte and Hershey, was eminently successful.

Delightful solos and choruses were sung by members of the Choir. About 100 persons were present. Mr. Hershey, in some well chosen remarks, explained that the purpose of the gathering was to urge the Parish to

Get together,

Get awake,

Get to work.

Some such "social" should be frequently held. The Women's Guild gave one last spring. The men arranged this one. It is the women's turn next!

We are fortunate in being allowed to print, for the first time, in this issue, a poem of marked beauty of thought and

expression by the late Henry Hunter Welsh, for many years a worshiper in St. Philip's.

Confirmation will be administered in St. Philip's Church on the morning of the Festival of the Epiphany, January 6, 1924.

Instructions are being given on Sundays at 7 P. M. and on Mondays at 4.15 P. M. All desiring to be confirmed are urged to attend. If these times prove impossible, please confer with the Rector for private appointment.

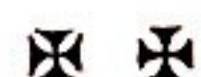
All who intend to live a Christian life need grace and strength to fulfill their intentions. Confirmation is the act of receiving strength from the Holy Spirit to "avoid what is wrong, to believe what is true and to do what is right."

On November 11, Armistice Day, two visiting speakers addressed St. Philip's congregations. In the morning, the Rev. Charles H. Boynton, Ph. D., professor in the General Theological Seminary, New York, and member of the Department of Religious Education of the National Council, spoke in the interests of the Near East Relief, of which he is special representative for our Church. Having visited the Near East within the past few months, his information was vividly and impressively given, and the response to his forceful appeal was exceedingly large. Cash contributions and pledges amounted to about \$375.00.

In the evening, under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Mr. Herbert Welsh, spoke on "Christ and a League of Nations," appealing for America's entrance into the League as her contribution to humanity, following the example of the Master Who came on earth as one that served mankind.

Our contribution to the Near East was timely. Thousands of children and refugees are practically clothesless. A supply of clothes is in New York awaiting shipment, but the Near East had no money to send the supplies.

The New York agent telephoned to Mr. Silloway, of this city, on Monday, November 12, asking if \$1600 could be sent immediately. Thanks to St. Philip's contribution, and that of the Arch Street Presbyterian Church and one other, Mr. Silloway was able to send the money, and these needy people will be clothed before the cold weather comes. Had we not given, they would have suffered.



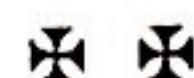
PREPARATION SERVICE

On Wednesday, December 19, at 8 P. M. a service of preparation for the Christmas Communion will be held.

The Rector hopes that as many as possible will attend, especially all whom he has had the privilege of presenting for Confirmation, and those now being prepared.

On All Saints' Day, a Presbyterian Minister attended our service. He told the Rector that since his grandfather, who was an Episcopalian, died, it was the custom of the members of his family, wherever they might be, to attend service on All Saints' Day.

We had the largest attendance this year on All Saints' Day in the present Rector's ministry here.

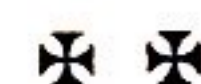


PARISH CANVASS

The annual canvass of the Parish for funds to meet our expenses for 1924 is being made.

EVERYONE who receives any benefit whatsoever from St. Philip's, or who would call on St. Philip's for any service, OWES to St. Philip's such a measure of financial support as his income, large or small, allows him to make.

We should not treat God's work with less consideration than we treat our Club or Lodge.



WOMEN'S GUILD

The monthly meeting of the Women's Guild, held on the second Wednesday in November, was well attended, and great interest in the work of the parish was manifested.

The president, Mrs. J. H. Zebley, reported the results of the special effort to raise money under the new plan adopted by the Guild. The amount, received and pledged, is over \$850, which will be increased, before the next meeting, by other pledges not yet returned.

This is a most praiseworthy effort, and a very gratifying result, for which the Women's Guild is to be thanked and congratulated.

We note, with pleasure, many new faces in the congregation, and welcome most cordially these new worshipers.

The Rector would be grateful if names and addresses of our new friends might be given him.

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

"O come, let us sing unto the Lord."

During the war, assemblies of people expressed themselves in singing. The Church has always assigned a large part of her services to the congregation either "to sing or to say."

Will members of our congregation, *please sing*, and make the service hearty and helpful by taking part in *all* the sections of the service which may be sung? As an expression of worship, accuracy of technique is not so necessary as earnestness.

Hymns are chosen very carefully with a view to the meaning and timeliness of the words, and to the "singableness" and more or less familiarity of the tune.

Though we use the New Hymnal, which is regarded by the majority of people as the best collection of hymns extant, about 90 per cent. of the hymns used during the year are also in the Old Hymnal. For instance out of the hymns mentioned below, for use during Advent and Christmas, 33 are in the Old Hymnal, and only four do not appear there. And *all* the hymns have been used in previous years.

The canticles—Venite, Te Deum, etc., are intended to be sung by all the congregation, people as well as choir.

They will be sung to simple chant settings with which most people are familiar.

The musical parts of the Communion Service will also be sung to simple tunes.

All this is in agreement with the spirit of the rubrics of the Prayer Book, which intends that the worship, whether sung or said, shall be "common prayer."

The Choir, as trained singers, will naturally sing more technical or difficult compositions, in which the congregation will not join. The Anthems will be chosen for beauty of words and music, and will be inspirational in character.

There is place for both the hearty congregational singing, by choir and people, and the more elaborate music sung by the choir.

During Advent, the morning canticles will be: Venite, Benedicite (a new canticle appearing in the revised Prayer

Book, but sung to a familiar tune), and the Benedictus. The evening canticles will be: Cantate Domino and Deus Miseratur.

The Hymns will be as follows:

December 2—63, 56, 328, 335, 339, 57—518, 53, 55, 61.

December 9—54, 60, 67—58, 100, 56, 68.

December 16—105, 450, 41, 55, 338, 66—57, 456, 67, 69.

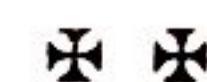
December 23—61, 473, 282, 521—477, 41, 56, 83.

Christmas—72, 77, 78, 83, 79, 73.

December 30—76, 71, 75—Christmas Carols.

Let us all join heartily in singing.

"Let the people praise Thee, O God."



A DUTY

It is the duty of Church people, removing to a new location, to seek the Church near-by, and present themselves to the Rector. They should not wait until the Rector may happen to discover them. He may not do it, for he has no supernatural powers. Then Church law requires persons removing to another parish to take Letters of Transfer to the new parish. Let us be law-abiding Churchmen, as well as citizens!



THE CHOIR

There are a few vacancies in the Choir for sopranos and altos. Mr. Maynard, the Choirmaster, would be very pleased to have these places filled by the young people of the church. It is an excellent opportunity for young singers. Rehearsal Fridays at 8 P. M. Come!

OUR QUOTA ACCOUNT

We are credited in the Diocesan Office with a total remittance of \$3393.12 (applying on our quota of \$5205.41) to November 20.

Our contribution to the Japanese Fund was \$451.89, a considerable advance on our assignment of \$326.90. This is a splendid record.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The Hallowe'en party for the Lower School, held on Saturday afternoon, October 27, was a great success. About 50 children were present, including 20 pupils of the Burd School who had been invited as guests of St. Philip's.

Miss Irene Neuman, principal of the Lower School, with her corps of efficient teachers, had arranged a program of games in which the children all took part with glee, after which refreshments were served.

The Parish House was attractively decorated with autumn leaves and Hallowe'en tokens, and the children were very picturesque in a large variety of fancy costumes.

Miss Elizabeth Eyer has been rendering invaluable service to the school, in addition to serving as teacher, by assisting Mr. Childs in arranging the weekly supply of material for the classes and in many other ways required by detailed administration. Many thanks!

Each Thanksgiving Day, the Church School gives to the Door of Blessing, donations of groceries and fruit, and a cash offering to the Episcopal Hospital.

The Christmas Offering at the Christmas Festival will be used, as heretofore, for Near East Relief, this year to "adopt" an orphan.

There are some 50,000 of these orphans, dependent largely on America for sustenance.

The life of one child can be saved for \$60 a year.



DO YOU KNOW?

What is the National Council and how are the members elected?

Who is the President of the National Council?

How many dioceses has this Church?

How many missionary districts have we in the United States proper?

How many missionary districts have we in Japan?

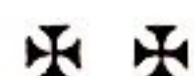
Who is the Bishop of Alaska?

ROSEBUD MEETING

On Saturday afternoon, November 17, the Parish House of Holy Trinity Church was filled by members of the Church School Service League from about fifty parishes, assembled to inspect the gifts made for the Indians on the Rosebud Reservation and to dedicate them as Christmas presents for our red brethren.

Miss Lily Cheston and Miss Marjorie Taylor, who had spent the summer on the Reservation, showed some interesting pictures of the Indians and their surroundings, and the Rev. W. G. W. Anthony, D. D., spoke of his experiences in the Dakotas many years ago.

Over fifteen hundred gifts were presented, of which twenty were sent by St. Philip's C. S. S. L., have been made under the direction of Mrs. A. L. Eyster.



AMERICA THE TUTOR OF MANY RACES

We used to think of foreign missions as confined to countries across the sea, but now we know that these countries are sending their choicest young people to us. Ten thousand and more students come from all races of the world to America for study. The foreign student is a familiar sight on our campuses. If we do not befriend him, we are hindering the cause of foreign missions, for he goes back to tell his fellow countrymen that Christianity is a sham in America and that no one lives up to its claims of brotherhood.

Learn the names of the schools and colleges of our Church in China, Japan, Hawaii, the Philippines, etc., and as you meet these foreign students, ascertain if by any chance they have studied in one of our institutions or have come under the influence of our missions. If so, then redouble your efforts to make them feel that the Church cares for them, and is the same loving mother in this land as in the foreign land.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

The Y. P. S. has resumed its meetings on Sunday evenings, and has been reorganized with the following officers:

President, Miss Harriet Culin.

Vice President, Miss Margaret Williams.

Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Richard Zebley.

The program printed below was adopted and promises a continued interest throughout the winter.

A dance will be given on December 21.

The Y. P. S. invites all young people over 16, whether members of the parish or not.

Y. P. S. PROGRAM

Nov. 18—Organization Meeting.

Nov. 25—Christian Stewardship.

Dec. 2—Business Meeting. Supper. Paper on "History of Parish."

Dec. 9—Missionary Meeting.

Dec. 16—Lecture on "Early Organization of the Church."

Dec. 23—Christmas Meeting.

Dec. 30—New Year's Resolutions.

Jan. 6—Business Meeting. Supper. Paper on "History of Diocese."

Jan. 13—Bible as Literature.

Jan. 20—Lecture.

Jan. 27—Missionary Meeting.

Feb. 3—Business Meeting. Supper.

Feb. 10—Great Churchmen Who Have Been Leaders.

Feb. 17—Lecture.

Feb. 24—Missionary Meeting.

Mar. 2—Business Meeting. Supper.

Mar. 9—Church and Science.

Mar. 16—Lecture.

Mar. 23—Observance of Sunday.

Mar. 30—Missionary Meeting.

Apr. 6—Business Meeting. Supper.

Apr. 13—Church of Today.

Apr. 20—Easter. No Meeting.

Apr. 27—Missionary Meeting.

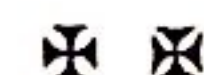
May 4—Business Meeting. Supper.

May 11—Value of Preparation and Training in Choosing One's Life Work.

May 18—Lecture.

May 25—The Church in Our National Life.

"The size of a congregation is never any guarantee of its spiritual quality. Someone has had something to say about the 'heresy of numbers.' It is a modern failing to compute spiritual success in terms of numerical statistics. Three people in Church worshipping in real devotion can swing a far greater spiritual influence than a hundred who come to be entertained. Numbers, after all, are a human invention. We have no reason to think that God counts heads, but we have every reason to believe that He does read hearts."



THE AUTOMOBILE

Great is the automobile! A report in the Woman's Auxiliary meeting last month, stated that a missionary with an automobile could do in five hours, what took him five days to accomplish without one!

The National Geographic states that the automobile brings to its possessor a 56.7 per cent. increase in working capacity. (Statistics are not given as to percentage of depletion in pocket-book!)



Too many are frightened by the apparent vigorous requirements of Family Prayer, not realizing that the direct opposite of formality—simplicity is the natural and easy way to develop religion in the home. Grace at meals and the addition of a few prayers concerning family life can be had by every household. This can be enlarged on by devotions at a separate time on stated days and occasions, if not daily. As the thought is developed in practice, the way may be found to have family prayers and Bible readings every day.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew publishes a Manual of Prayers and Church Calendar for use in family devotions.

The cost is 50 cents. Secure copies from the National Office in the Church House.

"NOEL"**HENRY HUNTER WELSH**

Pilgrims, why hasten ye fast, so fast?
 Stay yet awhile, and list the song
 Sung to the music of angel harps
 Borne on the wind along.
 Stealing gently over the hills
 Flecked with the light of the silver moon,
 Softly sounding over the dales;
 Stay, ye shall hear it soon.
 List awhile to the angel choir
 List awhile till the break of morn
 List to them singing their song of joy—
 Hallelujah! the Christ is born!
 Soft shone the silver moon on Bethle-
 hem's fields
 Upon the pastures of the mountainside.
 And in her light the sheep strayed here
 and there,
 And lost themselves within the thickets
 lone.
 Upon the side of that great Mount that
 frowns
 Above the modest walls of Bethlehem,
 Three shepherds sat, and played soft
 mountain airs
 Upon their pipes, and dreamed away the
 hours
 With that sweet music, wild and soft and
 low.
 Light strains they played; and as they
 played, behold
 Unto their playing came a harmony
 Wildly harmonious, sweetly beautiful,
 That thrilled their inmost souls, so that
 they ceased
 Playing upon their pipes for listening.
 Stole the soft night wind o'er their heads,
 and bore
 Strains such as never in the time of man,
 Before or since, were heard upon the
 earth.
 Mingled with music of sweet harps that
 rang
 Softly and low; as if the melody
 Came from above the starry Eastern sky
 So that they looked, each on the other,
 then,
 In wonder and amazement, knowing not
 What music this should be.
 And still more sweet
 Rang out the harps borne on the night
 wind's sigh
 And to their music came a chorus soft
 E'en as from far away:
 "Noël! Noël!"
 And then all ceased, except that music
 sweet
 Of harps that played above the sleeping
 earth;
 And then a little nearer came that choir,
 Singing the harmony divine in chords.
 That never in the music of the earth
 Could find their equal, soft and low and
 sweet,
 But yet triumphal, grand:
 "Noël! Noël!"

O Sun! be darkened! O Moon! cease thy
 beams!

Ye stars that twinkle in the vault of
 heaven,
 Withdraw your light before yon Angel's
 face!

O! if the light of thousand thousand days
 Were added all in one, not all in one
 Could wear the radiance of the heavenly
 one.

Like to the adamant that flashes light
 Far in the rocks of sunny India
 So shone his eyes; and precious stones
 that blazed

Were studded in his raiment snowy white.
 Utterance fails me, power deserts me,
 strength

Is all gone from me, to describe the sight
 The glory of that Angel beautiful!
 Fit herald of the Everlasting King.

And then the shepherds trembled, and
 they clung

Close to each other, for the very fear
 Of that bright Form, so gloriously shin-
 ing

With heavenly splendor; and they were
 afraid

And then he spake to them:
 "Noël! Noël!"

Fear not, yet shepherds of the Holy
 Mount,

Fear not, but hear; and, listening, per-
 form!

This night, behold in yonder little town
 Is born a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord,
 Thither away before the morning break,
 And pray your vows unto the King of
 Kings,

The Lord of Lords, the Monarch of the
 world,

The King of Angels, and the Prince of
 Peace!

Haste ye, and go! Soon will the dawn be
 here;

Yet ere ye go, list to how many angels

Praise Him!

And straight the great vault of the Sky
 Was clov'n in twain, and through the
 breach a light

Rushed in a torrent on the peaceful earth;
 And loud in triumph, and in joy, and love,
 Rose the grand chorus of the Angel hosts
 That ever circle round His Throne, who
 Was

And Is and Is to Come, Who reigns o'er
 all

From Everlasting to Eternity!

"Gloria in Excelsis Deo!!!"

Toward the town of Bethlehem they went
 In the calm moonlight, now restored
 again;

And thought upon the vision they had
 seen,

And lingered awestruck on that glorious
 choir!

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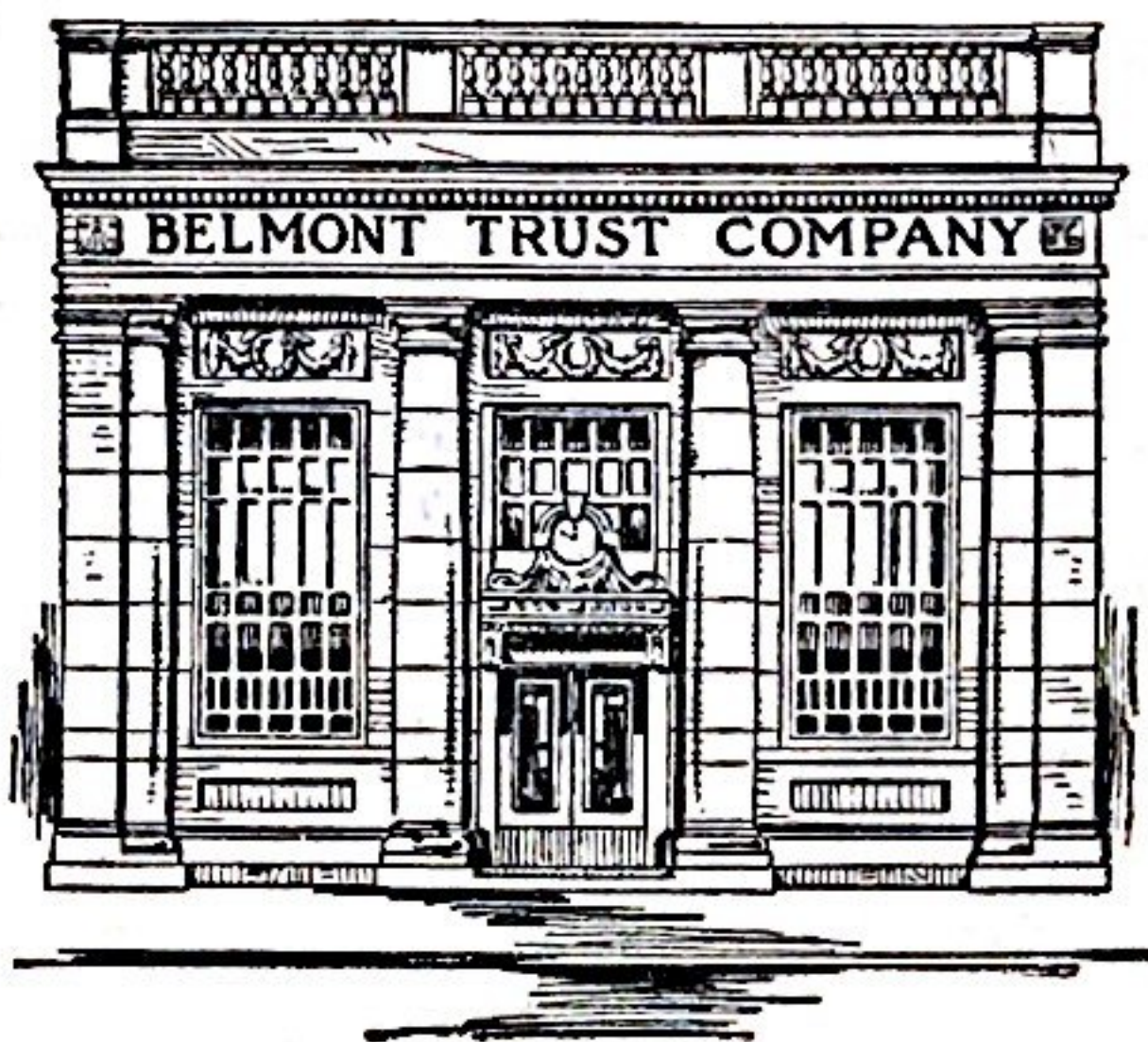
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SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
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CALENDAR

January.

- 1—Circumcision.
- 6—The Epiphany.
- 13—1st Sunday after the Epiphany.
- 20—2nd Sunday after the Epiphany.
- 25—Conversion of St. Paul.
- 27—3rd Sunday after the Epiphany.

February.

- 2—Presentation of Christ.
- 3—4th Sunday after the Epiphany.



PARISH REGISTER

Marriage.

- Dec. 11—Nathan Eliot Landon and
Sophia Margaretta White.

Burials.

- Dec. 24—Harry B. Thatcher.
- Dec. 28—Mary A. Wark.

Communicants Transferred.

- Dec. —Katharine Loman Clothier, to
St. John's Church, Lansdowne.
- Dec. 11—Alice Wilson Chesterman, to St.
Paul's Church, Overbrook.
Douglas James MacHenry, to
Church of the Holy Comforter.
- Dec. 17—Edythe M. Kimball, to Church
of the Atonement.



EPIPHANY-TIDE

At the dawning of a new year even the least reflective pause to consider the regrets and riches of the vanishing one. Infinitely deeper is the meaning of the passing years to those who live seriously and think soberly and measure life not by length of days, but by earnest, beautiful, high-hearted living worthy the followers of Christ and heirs of immortality.

The Epiphany season, falling as it does at the beginning of our calendar year, emphasizes the lessons of gratitude, patience and unselfishness impressed by the transition of the years. The Christ-child's Star has shed its radiance over all the years of our lives and we have been the recipients of unnumbered mercies dispensed by God's grace. For that Manifestation strained eyes of men gone before had waited through long ages. And for the messengers of that Manifestation millions of God's children wait today.—St. Andrew's Cross.

EPIPHANY

Is. 60:1.

Lo! the shadows flee away,
For our Light is come at length,
Brighter than all earthly day,
Source of being, life and strength!
Whoso on this Light would gaze
Must forsake all evil ways.

Ah how blindly did we stray
Ere shone forth this glorious Sun,
Seeking each his separate way,
Leaving Heaven, unsought, unwon;
All our looks were earthward bent,
All our strength on earth was spent.

Then were hidden from our eyes
All the law and grace of God;
Rich and poor, the fools and wise,
Wanting light to find the road
Leading to the heavenly life,
Wander'd lost in care and strife.

But the glory of the Lord
Hath arisen on us today,
We have seen the light outpour'd
That must surely drive away
All things that to night belong,
All the sad earth's woe and wrong.

Thy arising, Lord, shall fill
All my thoughts in sorrow's hour;
Thy arising, Lord, shall still
All my dread of Death's dark power:
Through my smiles and through my tears
Still Thy light, O Lord, appears.

Let me, Lord, in peace depart
From this evil world to Thee;
Where Thyself sole Brightness art,
Thou hast kept a place for me:
In the shining city there
Crowns of light Thy saints shall wear.
(Rist, 1655, in "Lyra Germanica.")



God is able to make all grace abound unto you; that ye, having always all sufficiency in everything, may abound unto every good work. II Corinthians 9:8.
(Revised Version.)

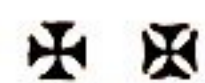
PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

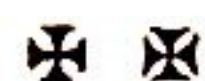
1. A New Start, Phil. 3:12-16.
2. Resolution, Rom. 13:11-14.
3. God's Will and Man's, Rom. 12:2-3; 9-17; 21.
4. The New Man, II Cor. 5:17-20.
5. Vision, Eph. 3:14-21.

Prayer. Ever-Living God, by Whose mercy we have come to the gateway of another year; grant that we may enter it with humble and grateful hearts. Confirm our resolution to walk more closely in Thy way, and labor more faithfully in Thy service. Let not the errors of the past cling to us, but with purer purpose, better hope and brighter vision, may we renew our vows in Thy Presence, and set forth under the guidance of Thy Spirit to travel in that path which shineth more and more unto the perfect day of Thy heavenly kingdom. Amen.



6. Manifestation of Christ, I. St. Jn. 3:1-8.
7. The Voice of the Spirit, I Cor. 2:9-12.
8. Fruits of the Spirit, Gal. 5:22-23; 6:8-10.
9. Patience, Rom. 8:24-28.
10. Perseverance, Eph. 6:10-19.
11. Helpfulness, St. Matt. 25:31-46.
12. Cost of Service, St. Lu. 14:28-33.

Prayer. We beseech Thee, O Lord, for the gifts and for the grace of the Holy Spirit; give us more love to Thee and to our neighbors; more joy in worship, more peace at all times, more long-suffering, gentleness and kindness of heart and manner. May we know the joy of bringing forth the fruits of the Spirit for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



13. Joy of Religion, St. Lu. 6:20-23.
14. Friendship, St. Jn. 15:9-15.
15. Social Relations, I Cor. 12:12-18.
16. The Golden Rule, St. Lu. 6:31-38.
17. Companionship, St. Jn. 6:66-69.
18. My Neighbor, St. Lu. 10:30-37.
19. Christian Fellowship, I St. Jn. 1:3-7.

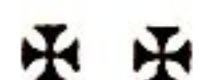
Prayer. O God, grant to us so to love Thee with all our heart, with all our mind, and all our soul, and our neighbor for Thy sake, that the grace of charity and brotherly love may dwell in us, and all envy, harshness and ill-will may die in us. Fill our hearts with love, kindness and compassion, so that by constantly rejoicing in the happiness and good success of others, by sympathizing with them in their sorrows, and putting away all harsh judgments and envious thought, we may follow Thee, Who art Thyself the true and perfect Love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



20. Christ the Saviour, St. Jn. 3:16-21.
21. Christ the Light, St. Jn. 12:32-36a.
22. Christ the Way, St. Jn. 14:1-10.
23. Christ the Truth, St. Jn. 16:7-15.
24. Christ the Life, St. Jn. 10:9-18.
25. Christ the Bread of Life, St. Jn. 6:27-35.

26. The Living Christ, Rom. 8:34-39.

Prayer. Grant us, O Christ, such knowledge of Thee that we may love and follow Thee, and keep Thy Way; such love of Thee, that we may shine with Thy Light, such communion with Thee as shall brighten our hope, strengthen our faith, increase our love, and deepen our knowledge of the truth, and bring us into the full peace of life in Thee. Amen.



27. Christ the Healer, St. Mark 1:29-34.
 28. Spiritual Healing, St. Lu. 9:18-26.
 29. Mental Healing, St. Mark 1:23-27.
 30. Healing Power of the Church, Acts 5:12-16.
 31. Doctors and Nurses, Eccus. 38:1-8.
- Prayer. O Lord Jesus, Who in Thy love for souls didst minister to the bodily infirmities of man; grant, we beseech Thee, that by the power of Thy Sacred Name, committed to Thy Church, all who turn to Thee in true faith, may experience the effect of Thy healing presence both in soul and body, and be numbered among Thy faithful servants. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Time was, when work was considered a curse, and men endeavored to escape from work as much as they could. Some people still have this idea.

Most people have learned that work is essential to happiness.

Therefore, in wishing you a Happy New Year, I am wishing you WORK.

Not only do I wish you work (happiness), but I suggest several lines of happiness (work) in which you of St. Philip's should engage.

For six years past the parish has been barely holding its own. Perhaps, owing to post-war conditions, this was all that could be expected. It may be commendable not to have retrogressed, and I thank those whose co-operation has prevented a rapid decline. But "marking time" too long is bad for the morale of an army, and we are supposed to be a part of the Christian army.

Now it is time to go forward in an active campaign (or we *shall* go backward rapidly). A living body either grows or declines; it cannot stand still.

Perhaps the definite programs I have suggested to the parish during the past years may be practiced this year.

But certain things *ought* to be accomplished, or at least commenced, if our year is to be happy and prosperous.

1. The North Transept could be converted into a Chapel, for early and week-day services, costing probably \$200.

2. The Parish House should be entirely remodeled to provide proper classrooms for the Church School, and suitable accommodations for other organizations of the parish. I estimate the cost would exceed \$10,000.

3. Some parishioners urge a modern lighting system for the Church. The present chandeliers could be modernized at a cost of possibly \$500. Some parishioner might do this work as a gift or memorial.

4. Others insist that an Assistant Minister be engaged. This, of course, is a vital matter if the parish is to minister adequately in an extensive way to the community, and meet the opportunities before it. Salary, \$1800.

5. The pavement on the Church property could be relaid in cement.

6. The windows of the Church might be reglazed with more artistic glass, or, in some cases, with stained glass.

7. Above all, and in addition to any of the foregoing, our financial situation *must* be made secure.

The pledges for 1924 for parish maintenance amount to only \$5000, while the budget calls for \$12,000. This means that the parish has pledged only enough to engage a sexton, a choir and a few necessary running expenses.

The present pledges do not provide for a Rector! Or, if a Rector is maintained, there is no guarantee that we can have a sexton, and other customary adjuncts.

Will you take your choice, or provide the alternative?

Some may say, "The condition is no worse than it was last year." (I find in St. Philip's Record for last January the following note: "The Accounting Warden reports about 180 pledge cards received, totaling about \$5000.") "The parish will get along somehow, as it did last year."

It *did* "get along" somehow, with a deficit of about \$1000.

As long as the people are content that the parish shall "get along somehow" it will do just that, and no more.

I am not content with that, and I do not think any of the parishioners should be.

Some of our well-to-do members are not giving at all proportionately to their ability—some persons give nothing, who could afford to give something. These two facts explain in large measure our condition. I appreciate the generosity of those who are giving conscientiously whether much or little, and I am grateful for the liberality of St. Philip's towards "specials," such as Japanese Relief, Near East, etc. In view of this evidence of the financial ability of our people, it is rather amazing to note apparent indifference towards parochial needs.

I make this suggestion: Let appropriations for 1924 be made only to the extent of the pledged income and interest on endowments—the two reasonably certain sources of income—some \$6000 in all. This will provide for a Rector and a sexton, and furnish light and heat. Let "specials" include:

Music and Choir, \$2500.

Insurance, Laundry, Publicity, \$1000.

Taxes, Repairs, etc., \$1500.

Miscellaneous items, \$1000.

Then let St. Philip's contribute to its own "specials" as liberally as it contributes to extra parochial "specials"—if it desires to have them!

In addition, we must, of course, not neglect our share in the work of the General Church, in the fields of Missions, Education and Christian Service, for which we require about \$5500 with \$3000 pledged.

There is "big business" before us in 1924, which must be met in a big way, by big-minded people, with big vision.

In seizing the opportunities I have outlined—or some of them—will your year be truly happy, which is the wish of

Your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

PARISH NOTES

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be administered on January 6, the Festival of the Epiphany. The service will commence at *half past ten*, followed by Holy Communion at 11.

A large congregation should be present to welcome those to be confirmed as well as to renew their own confirmation and New Year's resolutions, and to receive the Holy Communion to strengthen and refresh them in their spiritual life.



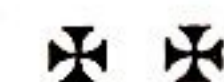
HYMNS FOR JANUARY

Jan. 6—99, 455, 379, 553, 322, 95—92, 551, 554, 583.

Jan. 13—96, 97, 94—104, 480, 12, 482.

Jan. 20—3, 101, 321, 82, 466—105, 96, 26, 539.

Jan. 27—499, 473, 100, 474—99, 97, 312, 94.



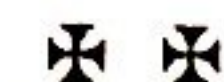
ELECTRIC CROSS

The indefatigable efforts of one member of the congregation, with the co-operation of a few others, have been finally rewarded by the placing of an electric cross over the doorway of the Church.

This cross marks St. Philip's as a Christian Church. Heretofore no Christian symbol has been visible to the passerby. It also illuminates a somewhat dark corner. It is planned that the light of the cross will shine for several hours each evening.

A brief dedicatory service was held in the vestibule of the Church under the cross on the first evening of its use—December 13.

Many thanks are given to the lady who has been so tireless in her desire and labors to procure the cross for St. Philip's.



Over 150 persons received Holy Communion at the 7.30 service on Christmas morning, and over 60 at eleven o'clock. The Rector greatly appreciates the services of the Rev. Mr. Moore.

The Chancel was attractively decorated, the work being done by the Altar Guild, assisted by members of the Young People's Society, and Mrs. Rosborough's class.

Thanks are given to these workers, and also to those whose contributions made the decorations possible.

The third special service under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was held on the evening of December 9, when Mr. A. J. County spoke on "Religion and Business."

Reserve the evening of January 13 for the next special service, when the speaker will be Mr. E. H. Bonsall, President of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in the U. S. A.



A NEW PARISH HOUSE

It may seem visionary to mention it, but sometimes dreams come true.

By removing the west wall of the Parish House and carrying the floors to the chancel wall (leaving space back of the chancel window) about ten feet would be added to the width of both floors in the Parish House.

By removing the "tower" and continuing the front to the Church building line, an office could be provided for a Rector, and the present "passage-office" could serve, with some alterations, as a choir room.

By making the entrance to the Parish House face on Baltimore avenue, the stairs up and down could be made convenient and safe.

By rearranging the basement, space could be reserved for Scout drills, etc. An oil-burning apparatus would conserve space, and save dirt.

By means of movable partitions on the first floor, various organizations could have suitable accommodations.

By raising the roof, and building another half-story, a gallery could be built on the second floor, providing separate classrooms in and under the gallery, and an auditorium for general assemblies, entertainments, etc.

It would cost money, lots of it, but if St. Philip's is to stay here and do its duty to the changed conditions existing in the community, the expenditure will be necessary and will be justified.

The Parish House should be remodeled to serve as a properly equipped Church School, which could be adapted to other parochial purposes.

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

The members of the Guild wish to thank all the friends in the parish who so generously responded to their call for money to be used for the needs of the parish. The present amount is \$934.50. There is more promised, and we trust those who have not responded to the appeal will do it soon, for we want to reach our goal of one thousand dollars. The wall space of the Church and the vestry room has been painted.

Through the benevolent section six tons of coal have been sent to families where needed. Christmas baskets and flowers have been distributed. The regular meeting which is always held in the afternoon of the second Wednesday of each month will be changed (for this winter) to all-day sewing, with the business meeting at 3.30 P. M. Come at 10 o'clock; bring box lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. There is need of many workers, as there is much Church sewing to be done, also the "Supply Bureau Quota" of the Women's Auxiliary.

There are many young people in the parish. The members of "The Guild" are anxious to know them, and interest them in the work of the Church. And it is hoped a meeting with them will take place in the near future.

M. W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.



A LECTURE

Mr. Frank O. Zeninger, of Girard College, will give a lecture on "Stephen Girard, Merchant, Mariner," on the evening of January 15 in St. Mary's Parish House, 2916 Locust street.

The Men's Association of St. Mary's invites the men of St. Philip's to this lecture which will be well worth hearing.



"Death must be regarded as simply a transformation, not a cessation."—C. H. H. Parr.

MOTHER'S MEETING

Our Christmas entertainment, which was pronounced a great success, was held December 18th. Our Rector was with us. After we had sung several Christmas carols, Mr. Seymour talked to us and gave us an outline of Dickens's "A Christmas Carol," advising every one to read it. He led us back to the Wise Men and their gifts to the Infant Jesus and asked all not to lose the true Christmas spirit.

Mr. and Mrs. Claghorn gave several vocal, piano and mandolin selections and Mrs. Claghorn read parts of "Birds' Christmas Carol," all of which were enjoyed to the fullest. The table tree was beautiful! Decorations of red and green everywhere, with lighted candles, made the room look like a real Christmas celebration.

Ice cream and cakes were served.

Each member was presented with a calendar, card and box of candy, while our young people received handkerchiefs.

The members of the meeting greatly surprised and pleased our Helpers by presenting each one with a lovely poinsettia plant in a basket. Miss Ashburner's gift was to have come later. Many thanks to our kind friends.

We always welcome our visitors and hope they will come often, any Tuesday evening, at 8 o'clock, in the Parish House.

S. W. B.



OUR EXTRA PAROCHIAL OBLIGATIONS

St. Philip's is assessed in 1924 for Episcopal, Convention and Sustentation Funds \$551.71

St. Philip's is apportioned for the maintenance of existing work in the diocese and under the National Council 5000.00

These sums represent roughly 1 per cent. of the total required.

They do not include any Forward Work, though money specially designated for the purpose will be credited to the parish under this head.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The Christmas entertainment took place on the evening of December 27, when a large number of friends, together with the pupils of the school, were present.

A splendid program had been arranged by the committee in charge, composed of Mrs. K. Rosborough, Mrs. L. Riegner, Miss Irene Neumann and Miss Elisabeth Eyer, to whom great praise is due.

The silver offering was added to the Church School Christmas offering, enabling the school to adopt a Near East orphan, and so save the life of one child for a year.



CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

I.

"Welcome"—Lois Kneas.

"The Night Before Christmas"—Jerome Baker.

II.

"Story of the First Christmas"
(dramatized)

Mary—Edith Seymour.

Joseph—Henry Smith.

Angel—Peggy Cardeza.

Chorus of Angels—Adelaide Wright, Salome Riegner, Helen Reese, Edna Rush, Patricia Kneas.

Shepherds—Murdoch Goodwin, Richer Goodwin, Jack Seymour.

Wise Men—Francis Rush, Charles Sackett, Donald Thompson.

III.

Reading—"The Other Wise Man,"

Van Dyke

Elizabeth Cottingham, Betty Beath, Elizabeth Mackenzie, Katharine Haines.

Following the program, refreshments were served, and, as the pupils went home, boxes of candy were distributed.

A large quantity of used toys, games, etc., were given by members of the school at Christmas time, for the House of Industry, 716 Catharine street.

On the Sunday before Thanksgiving day a Harvest Festival was held by the Church School, when gifts of groceries and fruit were presented by the members of the school for the Door of Blessing, 2611 Baring street.

The following letter of thanks has been received:

Rev. Frederick E. Seymour.

Dear Mr. Seymour:

Our matron, Miss Brown, has written me about the wonderful donation of 161 packages of groceries, canned goods, fruit, etc., and \$10 in cash which was sent to the Door of Blessing from your Sunday school. Will you tell the scholars they have indeed brightened the lives of our women and given material hope to the Home. Your school is truly a "giving school" and I know those who helped are happier for it. Please try to express the gratitude we feel in this large gift.

Very truly yours,

L. B. HANSELL,
Treasurer.



The Church School Service League sent a box of Christmas gifts to Emmanuel Mission, White Horse, S. D., and another to St. Alban's Mission, Panama, Ancon, Canal Zone.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. Thou shalt have no gods but Me.
2. Before no idol bow the knee.
3. Take not the name of God in vain.
4. Do not the Sabbath day profane.
5. Give both thy parents honor due.
6. Take heed that thou no murder do.
7. Abstain from words and deeds unclean.
8. Steal not, though thou be poor and mean.
9. Make not a willful lie, nor love it.
10. What is thy neighbor's do not covet.

OUR CHILDREN AND CHURCH

Angelo Patri

The church is the House of God. The words spoken there are the words of God—His message to men. The service the church offers to all who come within it is the service of God. Surely this, then, is the place for children. Surely, then, the church has a strong influence on the lives of children.

Few mature people will deny that this is, and should be, true, but the excuses and reasons they offer for not supporting the church either by their presence or their money are varied and numerous and illuminating.

"Sunday is a day of rest. It is the only day we have to take a few minutes longer in bed." Well, what time did you get to bed the night before? The show lasted until after 11, the supper until after 12 and by the time you got home it was close to 2 o'clock. There was a choice between going to church in the morning or to the show on Saturday evening and you chose the show.

"The sermon is so dull that I cannot keep awake. Besides the dullness, it is so impractical. What is the use of teaching the loveliness of sacrifice when every one of us has to scratch like mad for a living! I say it's hypocritical to talk about the brotherhood of man on Sundays and act the 'me-for-myself' the rest of the week. I'd rather go to the woods and get my spiritual renovation there. The woods were God's first temples."

Of course. And you seek out a retired place and meditate on the goodness of God and your unworthiness and resolve and plan for a better and closer relation to the things of the spirit, a kinship with God.

You have the children with you and you teach them that they have come out to see the open in the solitudes to feel their nearness to the Father of the Universe, and you explain to them a little of their duty toward Him, and through that relation their duty to their neighbors.

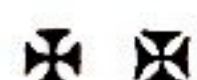
There are many, many children in this land growing up without an appreciation

of what the church stands for, without the standards of living that the church instills, without even the knowledge that there is an Infinite Spirit of Righteousness that rules the universe; Spirit whose law is fixed and inexorable, stern and clean and searching as undying fire.

We may quibble about the creeds and the ritual and the discipline, but deep within us lies the knowledge that beyond them all lies something the human spirit needs and must have if life is to be endured. What right have we to bring up children without that knowledge? What right have we to teach them to ignore the church, the only place we have allotted for such instruction?

Punishment does not hold children; easy compliance does not hold them; laws and conventions do not hold them. These are external and material. The knowledge of the love and fatherhood of God, His never-changing rightness and unfailing justice and all-powerful love do hold them. These are of the spirit and inherent in every child.

If not church, then where?



OVER-SENSITIVENESS

"Hyper-Sensitiveness may come from overwork or illness, or from plain selfishness. To be easily annoyed is to be sick or selfish. When we are played out or worked out, our nerves are worn to the quick, and writhe at the touch of trifles. Then—rest for our lives. We cannot afford not to. But there is an irritability that is not physical. It is moral—or immoral. It comes from being self-centred. We live, but will not let live. We want our way anyway. If we are interrupted, we are visibly annoyed. Interference, corrections, suggestions, light our fire-crackers, and we explode. Other people's pleasures and pains, their children, cats and dogs and canary birds are impertinences. Why? Because they do not pertain to us. This is plain selfishness. Let us beware. It is the spirit, the essence of evil. Let us go to the cross of Jesus and learn to love. We shall always be in relations in the world. Let us make them loving relations. Let us look out for hyper-sensitiveness. It means peril for body and soul."—Babcock.

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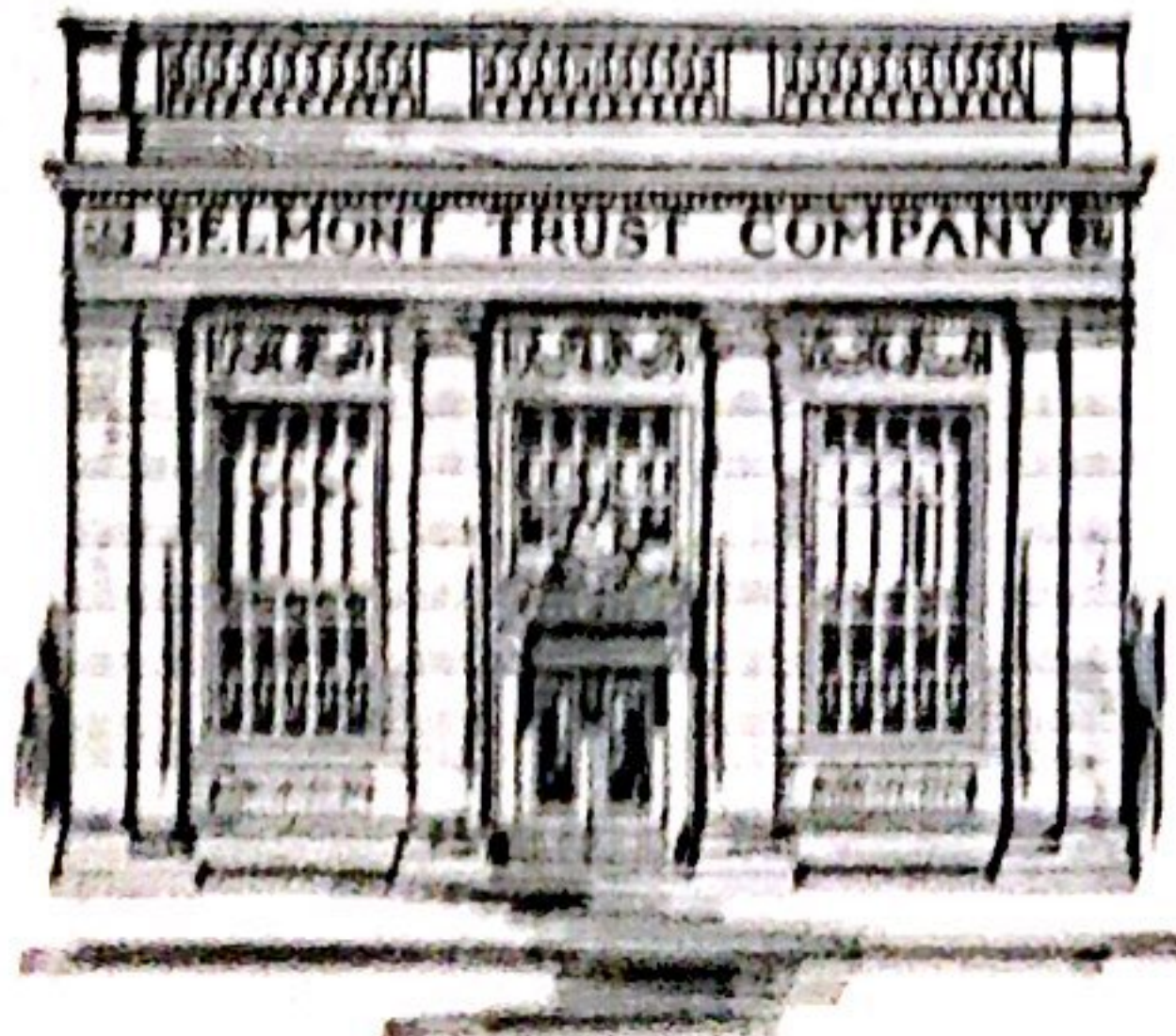


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FEBRUARY, 1924

Rector:

Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. R.

SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
11.00 A. M. Morning Service, (First and Third Sundays
Holy Communion)
7.45 P. M. Evening Service

Thursdays
and
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M. Holy Communion

All Seats Free
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CHURCH SCHOOL

Sundays, 9.45 A. M.
Mondays, 4.00 P. M. (Church School Service League)

STANDING NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of absence.

Prompt notice should be given of change of address.

The Rector should be notified before arrangements are made for baptisms, marriages or burials.

The church is supported by voluntary contributions. Each worshiper is asked to use Duplex Envelopes, to be obtained from the accompanying Notice, Mr. Elmer L. Wilson.

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CALENDAR

February.

- 2—Presentation of Christ.
- 3—4th Sunday after the Epiphany.
- 10—5th Sunday after the Epiphany.
- 17—Septuagesima Sunday.
- 24—Sexagesima Sunday.
- 25—St. Matthias' Day.

March.

- 2—Quinquagesima Sunday.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptism.

Dec. 30—Margaret Olivia Cardeza.

Communicants Added by Confirmation.

Jan. 6—Richer Mathieu Goodwin
Frederick Augustus Hipple
Lucette Esterly Hipple
David Thomas Johnston
Grace Frances Patterson
Amy Morgan Pearce
Jack Murray Seymour
Claire Williams
William George Witte, Jr.

Jan. 19—Murdoch Kendrick Goodwin
John Scarborough Roberts

By Transfer.

Jan. 6—Helen I. Lamb, from St. Matthias' Church.

Jan. 17—Frederic D. Goodwin, from Church of the Atonement.

Communicants Transferred.

Jan. 16—William Rommel
Mrs. William Rommel
H. Katharine Rommel
William Rommel, Jr.
to Church of the Saviour.



"By sacramental life we mean, of course, that life of reunion with and loyalty to our Lord Jesus Christ, which is to be procured only through the sacrament of Baptism, to be sustained and deepened by the habitual receiving of the Holy Communion, and expressed in a daily life of prayer and good works, the ultimate object of which is the personal honor of our Lord."—Holy Cross Magazine.



For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Philippians 1:21.

Sunday Evenings in February.

Feb. 10—A special Boy Scout Service will be held. All Scouts, especially those belonging to St. Philip's Church or Church School (whether members of Troop 241 or not) are asked to be present.

Feb. 17—The Rev. Franklin J. Clark, Secretary to the National Council, will preach. Mr. Clark, who was a classmate of the Rector's, was formerly connected with St. Phillip's, and has preached here several times within the past seven years. He is considered one of the most convincing speakers amongst the younger clergy. Come and hear his message.

Feb. 24—The service will be omitted, but at the usual hour a Musical Program will be rendered by the Choir.



Altar Guild.

The Altar Guild has purchased three new Hymnals for use in the Chancel, one being in memory of Miss Anna M. Fox.

Our Chapel.

Following the suggestion in January's Pastoral Letter, a parishioner notified the Rector that she would give "Priority No. 1," namely, the conversion of the North Transept into a Chapel.

This has accordingly been done, with deep appreciation of the generosity of the donor.

The Mothers' Meeting had previously contributed \$29 for this Chapel.

The Chapel will be used for the early and weekday celebrations of the Holy Communion.

It is planned to restore to use as many former memorials as possible, e. g., a portion of a brass Altar rail, bearing a memorial inscription, the chalices used in the first St. Philip's, an alms basin used in Trinity Church, Maylandville.

The Eucharistic lights, used in the "Chapel of the Upper Room" for the past four or five years, are memorials from the Church School to our former sexton, Thomas Wark.

PARISH SANCTUARY

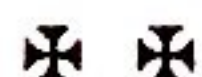
Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

FEBRUARY

1. Union With Christ, St. John 10:9-18.
2. The Christian Family, St. Luke 2: 42-52.
3. The Lord's Day, St. Luke 24:1-6a.
4. The Church, Acts 2:41-47.
5. Purpose of the Church, Eph. 3:7-12.
6. The Parish, Rev. 3:10-13.
7. The Ministry, Rom. 10:10-15.
8. Citizens of the Kingdom, St. Matt. 5:3-12.
9. Working in the Kingdom, Rom. 12: 3-8.

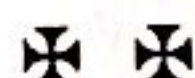
Prayer. Father of all mankind, we pray that to Thy Church all Thy children may ever be welcome. Hither may the little ones love to come, and young men and maidens, to be strengthened for the battle of life. Here may the strong renew their strength, and win for their lives a noble consecration; and hither may age turn its footsteps to find rest of God and light at eventide. Here may the poor and needy find friends. Here may the tempted find succor, the sorrowing find comfort, and the bereaved learn that over their beloved, death hath no more dominion. Here may they who fear be encouraged, and they who doubt have their better trusts and hopes confirmed. Here may the careless be awakened to a sense of their folly and guilt, and to timely repentance. Here may oppressed and striving souls be assured of the mercy that triumphs over sin, and receive help to go on their way rejoicing. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



10. Unity, Eph. 4:11-16.
11. Purpose of Unity, St. John 17:20-24.
12. Great Americans, Wisdom 5:1-10.
13. Christian Co-operation, I Cor. 3: 3b-11.
14. Love, I Cor. 13.
15. Missions, Acts 16:6-12.
16. The Growing Kingdom.

Prayer. O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favorably on Thy

whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery, and, by the tranquil operation of Thy perpetual providence, carry out the work of man's salvation, and let the whole world feel and see that things which were cast down are being raised up, and returning to perfection, through Him from Whom they took their beginning, even through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.



17. Self Control, I Cor. 9:24-27.
18. Right Choices, Eccles. 15:11-20.
19. Personal, Psalm 63:1-5.
20. Meditation, II S. Tim. 3:10-16.
21. Omnipresence of God, Acts 17:22-28.
22. Leaders of the People, Eccles. 44: 1-15.
23. Prayer, St. Luke 11:1-4, 9-13.

Prayer. O God, Creator of all mankind, Owner of all Things, Author of every good gift, grant I beseech Thee, that in the exercise of Thy boundless mercy towards me, I may be impelled to measure my alms, and use my faculties of body, mind and soul according to Thy gifts, lest, in the exercise of Thy righteous judgment, Thou mayest be compelled to measure Thy gifts according to my alms and my use of the powers with which Thou hast endowed me. And this I pray in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, my Saviour and my Lord. Amen.



24. Gladness, Psalm 100.
 25. Work, St. Matt. 25:14-19.
 26. Obedience, Prov. 3:1-16.
 27. Courage, Isaiah 41:10-13.
 28. Fear, Psalm 27: 1-8, 13-14.
 29. Value of Suffering, Rom. 8:18-25.
- Prayer. Almighty God, at whose right hand are pleasures for evermore, we pray Thee to make our religion one of joy and brightness. Dispel from our minds all doubt, gloom and depression, and may we rejoice because we are Thy redeemed and forgiven children. Grant that day by day our lips may be singing Thy praise, and our hearts be gladdened in holy anticipation of the life that knows no ending through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Temperature is quite independent of thermometers, which merely record the varying degrees of heat.

Church life and activity are quite independent of statistics, though figures are useful to record the varying extent of Church vitality.

Spiritual alertness may, to a large extent, be considered as the temperature of Church people which is recorded by figures, reports, Year Books and such like.

So, merely as a record, this issue is largely a Year Book, containing the Annual Reports of the activities of the Parish, so far as they are connected with figures.

I commend these reports to your careful perusal, and I congratulate the Parish on its splendid achievements in 1923, bidding you to "continue in the same" and press on to even greater accomplishments during the present year.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

Frederick E. Seymour.

PARISH NOTES

CONFIRMATION

On the morning of January 6, the Festival of the Epiphany, Bishop Garland administered Confirmation to nine candidates.

In order that the Church School might witness the Confirmation, the service was held at 10.30, and the entire School assembled in Church, after the teaching session, remaining until after the Confirmation.

The names of those receiving confirmation, whom we welcome into full membership with all its rights and privileges, are given under the "Parish Register."

Two other boys were prevented by illness from being confirmed on January 6, but by special arrangement, were confirmed by Bishop Garland in the Chapel of the Church House.

Of the 11 confirmed, seven were boys.



As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him. Colossians 2:6.

CHOIR PARTY

A very enjoyable evening was spent by the Choir, after rehearsal on January 4. Several "stunts" were performed, guessing contests held and dances enjoyed. It was an opportunity for all to know one another better, and the informal meeting served the purpose of "introduction."

Refreshments were served and favors distributed.



RENOVATION

The Women's Guild has had the interior of the Church and Vestry Room repainted, making the appearance both lighter and cleaner.

Many thanks are given to the Guild for this additional evidence of its interest and activity.



HYMNS FOR FEBRUARY

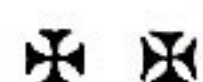
Feb. 3—307, 273, 331, 339, 96—479, 503, 254, 466.
Feb. 10—104, 105, 480—530, 367, 429, 482.
Feb. 17—528, 117, 116, 332, 331, 544—526, 494, 29, 529.
Feb. 24—113, 473, 120, 535.

REV. G. A. STUDDERT KENNEDY

In order that all who desired might hear Mr. Kennedy, Chaplain to King George, evening service was omitted at St. Philip's on the evening of January 6, and a goodly number of our parishioners attended the Chapel of the Mediator, which was packed to its utmost capacity (over a thousand being present).

Mr. Kennedy delivered a most impressive sermon, which stirred the minds and hearts of all who heard him. (It would be profitable to those who have not already done so to read Mr. Kennedy's books, especially "I Believe" and "Lies.")

The Rev. Dr. Toop welcomed the Rector and people of St. Philip's to the service in very gracious and courteous words.



AN ASSISTANT

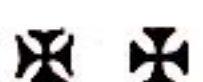
St. Philip's has nearly 400 people on its roll.

If even 200 of these would give one hour's time each month to the work of the Church (outside of organization work), it would be almost equivalent to the service of an Assistant. (See Priority, No. 4, January "Record.")

Two hundred hours per month is equivalent to 25 days at eight hours each—practically a full business month.



The Women's Guild will entertain the Young People's Society on the evening of February 9, at a dinner in the Parish House, followed by a dance.



JES' SO!

It must be confessed that after the many religious "drives" one feels like uttering a good round "Amen" to the following by the Rev. Dr. John Coleman Adams:

Less of Survey,
More of Vision;
Less Discussion,
More Decision;
More of Missions,
Less of Fairs;
Less of Pictures,
More of Prayers.
—The Churchman.



NATION-WIDE CAMPAIGN ACCT.

For Maintenance\$5,139.88
For Forward Work 201.50

Total\$5,341.38

Note: Of our total receipts in 1923:
64 per cent. were for the Parish.
36 per cent. were for Benevolences.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF
ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

1923

RECEIPTS

Pledges	\$6,227.69
Plate Offerings	832.47
Subscriptions	675.52
Interest	968.82
Church School	278.03
Special for Expenses ..	483.85
	<u>\$9,466.38</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Rector's Salary	\$4,000.00
Music and Choir	2,500.00
Music Guarantee	240.00
Sexton's Salary	1,200.00
Chancel Laundry	125.00
Repairs: Church	170.83
" Rectory	17.10
Light and Power	241.36
Heat	816.00
Insurance	135.16
Church School	350.68
St. Philip's Record	191.25
Water Rent	38.85
Miscellaneous	894.65
	<u>10,920.88</u>

Deficit\$1,454.50

CHARLES L. FILBERT,
Accounting Warden.

REPORT OF ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH
TO THE DIOCESE FOR 1923

Baptisms	13
Confirmation	1
Marriages	6
Burials	20

Communicants Last Reported.....	387
Added by Confirmation	1
Received by Transfer	17
Admitted Otherwise	2
	<u>407</u>

Transferred to Other Parishes	22
Lost by Death	11
	<u>33</u>

Present Number 374

SERVICES

Sundays:	
Holy Communion	79
Other Services	52
Holy Days:	
Holy Communion	22
Other Services	13
Week-Days:	
Holy Communion	21
Other Services	10
	<u>197</u>
Total	197
Private Communions	25

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

The annual meeting of the Women's Guild was held on January 9. It was an all-day meeting—for sewing in the morning, and business meeting in the afternoon. The meeting was most encouraging both in numbers and interest, 22 members came for sewing and lunch and 36 attended the business meeting. We have quite a number of new members who seem much interested in the work.

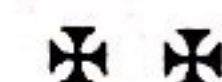
The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. J. H. Zebley; vice president, Mrs. E. P. Coho; treasurer, Miss M. E. Bussom; recording secretary, Mrs. G. W. Witte; corresponding secretary, Miss M. W. Harper. Our former Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. A. E. Codman, has been very faithful in her services, and her resignation was accepted with great regret, but she feels that she is obliged to retire from all work.

The President gave us an interesting talk on the work the "Guild" has done for the past year and that the "Parish" needs our work, interest and money for the coming year.

Our Rector also spoke very encouragingly of our work for the "Parish."

We are anxious to get in touch with the young people of the "Parish" and will have a meeting with them in the near future. We want them to feel that their interest and work are needed in the "Parish" as well as that of the older people.

M. W. Harper
Corres. Secretary

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT
WOMEN'S GUILD

1923

Receipts:

Balance on hand	\$753.33
Dues	\$ 55.00
Sale of Year	26.00
Personal Effort	182.20
Block Plan	934.50
Interest	14.66
Various Gifts	50.00
Miscellaneous	11.70
	<u>1274.06</u>
Total Receipts	\$2027.39

Disbursements:

Settlement Work	\$ 5.00
Flowers	82.50
Christmas Gifts	42.20
Benevolent Section ...	175.00
Church Farm School ..	8.75
St. Gile's Stonehurst ..	25.00
Chairs for Par. House	180.00
Painting Church	345.00
Alteration of Altar ...	39.33
Miscellaneous	162.37
	<u>\$1065.15</u>
Total	962.24
Balance in Bank	
M. Elizabeth Bussom, Treasurer.	

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
REPORT OF TREASURER
1923

Receipts:

Bal. on Hand Gen. Fund	\$ 44.45
Coll. During the Year ..	\$ 46.45
Special. Do. (undes.) ..	115.00
Diocesan Com.	36.00
Domestic Com.	
Colored Com.	25.00
Foreign Com.	300.03
Indian Hope	5.00
Supply Bureau	33.35
	<u>930.83</u>
Total	\$975.28

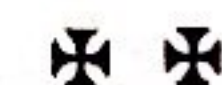
Disbursements:

Diocesan Com.	\$332.50
Domestic Com.	47.00
Colored Com.	61.00
Foreign Com.	306.03
Indian Hope	46.00
Supply Bureau	143.57
Church Periodical Club	20.00
United Thank Offering (Spec.)	5.00

Total\$961.10
Bal. in Gen'l Fund, Dec. 31, '23 14.18

Total\$975.28

Blanche S. Coho,
Treasurer.



RED CROSS

Mrs. H. McKnight Moore reports that the Red Cross collection for the section including St. Philip's Church amounted to \$420.

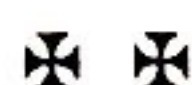
CATHEDRAL LEAGUE

Bishop Garland held a meeting of the Cathedral League and the men of the Cathedral Chapter on January 18th. The Bishop said there is \$100,000 toward the Cathedral Foundation, and a large number of men and women are working for it. "We must not be discouraged," he said, "but keep on, for there is great work for the Cathedral in this diocese and great need of the Bishop's church."

Mr. County, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, spoke, and a letter from Rev. Dr. Mockridge was read expressing regret for his unavoidable absence and expressing earnestly the great need of the Cathedral.

St. Phillip's has 68 subscribers to the Cathedral League at 50 cents each year. The number should be much larger, for all should help this worthy work.

HARRIET F. BLAKISTON.

ALTAR GUILD
ANNUAL REPORT

Receipts:

Bal. Jan. 1, 1923	\$ 24.36
For Laundry	100.00
For Altar Flowers	82.50
Dues	13.00
Easter Decorations	76.75
From Mothers' Mt'g for Chapel	12.00
Christmas Greens	67.55

Total

Disbursements:	
Laundry	\$ 84.30
For Altar Flowers	95.50
Easter Decorations	68.00
Delivery of Easter Plants	2.00
Sexton from Altar Guild for Christmas	5.00
Christmas Greens	47.00

Total

Bal. in Bank Jan. 8, 1924

Helen Williams,
Treasurer.



NOTICE

Three One-Act Plays
Will Be Presented

on

Thursday, February 28,
at the Philomusian Club
by the

Junior Section of the Philomusian Club,
Under the Auspices of
St. Philip's Church School.
Tickets—One Dollar.

COMMUNION ALMS

The offerings at the early Sunday and the week day celebrations of the Holy Communion are used for Communion Alms, which constitutes a "Rector's Discretionary Fund," which was disbursed as follows:

Receipts:

Bal. on hand, Jan. 1, '23	\$ 1.60
Offerings	205.65

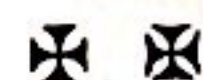
Total

Disbursements:

Alms	\$ 80.95
Miscellaneous Benev. ..	11.70
Postage, etc.,	20.86
Paroch. Liter. & Incid. .	88.64

Total

Balance on Hand



THE CHURCH SCHOOL

LETTERS OF THANKS

From the House of Industry, the following acknowledgment has come:

"We are thankful and pleased with the donation received from your Church School. The gifts mean so much to those whom we are trying to help, and I hope you will be the bearer of many thanks to those who have so freely given to us. Not only did we value the gifts themselves, but the thought and care in wrapping and preparing them."

Sincerely,
Mary V. McCurdy

From St. Paul's School, Panama:

"The boxes came quite in time for Christmas and our children had quite a delightful time with their gifts. . . . Every child in the parish here had a Christmas. It was grand. . . . I wish to thank you ever so much for the very fine toys your school sent, and to ask you to convey to one and all our heartiest appreciation of them. . . ."

Faithfully yours,
A. F. NIGHTINGALE.

From White Horse, S. D.:

"I will write a few lines to let you know that I got that box of gifts all right and everybody had a good time Christmas."

Very sincerely yours,
JOSEPH GOODTEACHER.

CHURCH SCHOOL FINANCIAL
REPORT, 1923.

The Church School has disbursed funds received during the year as follows:

In the Parish:

For Parish Support	\$278.03
For Incidental Ex. of the School	62.28

Total

In the Community:

Western Temporary Home	\$ 15.00
College Settlement	10.00
Children's Country Week	7.00
W. P. S. S. Association	8.00
Welfare Federation	15.00

Total

In the Diocese:

Advent Offering	\$ 16.41
Bishop's Bricks Fund	5.95
St. Monica's Church	10.00
St. Michael and All Angels	10.00
House of Rest	10.00
Episcopal Hospital	12.06

Total

In the Nation:

Christ School, Arden, N. C. .	\$ 15.00
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In the World:

Japanese Relief	\$ 35.84
Near East Relief	52.59
French Orphan	41.00
Birthday Thankoffer'g (Liberia) ..	11.72

Total

General Missions:

Lenten Offering	\$ 650.00
Weekly Offering	52.79

Total

Total Disbursements

Balances on Hand:

French Orphan	\$50.58
Birthday Thankoffering	5.35
Rebuilding Fund	23.60
General Fund	48.50
Loose Offering	8.47



The highest attendance, from September to December 31, was 121—or 83 per cent. of the enrollment. The lowest was 80, or 59 per cent.

The average attendance has been 106—or 78 per cent. of the average enrollment of 136.

ST. LIOBA'S SCHOOL

Last autumn the C. S. S. L. sent a box of Christmas presents to St. Lioba's School, Wuhu, China.

The following letter has been received:

December 8, 1923.

Dear Mrs. Eyster:

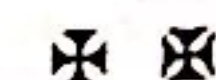
This is just a note to let you know the boxes arrived in very good condition, and oh, what splendid things you sent us. I am sure no apologies were necessary. I know it is difficult to get Christmas boxes off before one has even thought of Thanksgiving, but we are so far away! I am writing a letter to Miss Cheston which she will have copied and sent to you, and to all who contributed to the St. Lioba's boxes. You could not find anything to please our older girls more than bead necklaces and perfumed toilet powder! They are just as vain as other girls! I want to thank you all for my box of beautiful writing paper and the dear book. I surely was surprised and pleased to find a gift for myself. It was very thoughtful of you dear ones.

Do tell the children how much it means to us to know they pray for us. Sometimes, when things are specially joyful and going just the way they ought to go, I know it is because of their precious words going up to Heaven to the Father.

With love from us all to you and the dear boys and girls,

Very faithfully yours,
Sister Edith Constance.

A card enclosed in the letter tells us that St. Lioba was a West Saxon, named Truthgeba, but nicknamed Lioba—the dear or beloved one. She was cousin to St. Winfred or Boniface, and died about 779 A. D.



We take pleasure in announcing the appointment of Miss Dorothy MacTague as Supervisor of our Church School Service League.

The C. S. S. L. meets on Monday afternoons, and is at present engaged in work for the Parish.

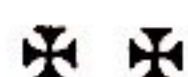
BOY SCOUTS

St. Philip's Troop, No. 241, is making extensive plans for the celebration of Anniversary Week, commemorating the founding of the Boy Scouts of America. The first thing will be a church service, held on the evening of February 10, in St. Philip's Church. The rector, who is also the Troop Chaplain and a member of the Troop Committee, is planning to have an appropriate service, to which all parents of members of the Troop, whether members of the Church or not, are cordially invited to come.

Next will follow an all-day hike on Lincoln's birthday; this hike being the first Father and Son hike ever attempted by the Troop and it is in the nature of a challenge to the fathers, to see if they can accommodate themselves to circumstances as well as their sons. In case the weather makes it impossible to take a real hike, a trip will be made to some place of historic interest within the limits of the city.

On Friday evening, February 15, a Ceremonial Meeting will be held, at which time Scouts who have within the last three months advanced a grade in Scouting, and new Tenderfoots of the Troop will be presented with their newly-earned badges, and at which time also the newly-elected officers of the Troop will be sworn in. An item of unusual interest in this program will be the presentation of badges to four new members of the reorganized Troop Committee. All parents are cordially invited to be present at this meeting; in fact, the leaders of the Troop are anxious to have them come, and they may feel that it will be an evening well spent. In addition to the presentation ceremonies there will be a program of interesting demonstrations of Scoutcraft in all its branches.

J. W. Miller,
Scoutmaster.



ON FILLING EMPTY SEATS

The Preacher can fill all your Empty Seats by stirring up some thrilling excitement. Just let him get up a big

fight, and man "being a fighting animal," he will run to a fight, if it be only a dog fight! Just listen to this happening that my own father told me about. An editor of a daily paper in a small city wanted a month in the woods, and he hired a bright young fellow to edit his paper during August. But within a week the new editor had gotten into a terrible newspaper row with the competing daily of the town. The fight grew fiercer and fiercer; there were published threats of personal violence; the editor of the other paper actually challenged our young editor to fight a duel. The brave youth responded by announcing that he had armed himself with automatic revolvers and would shoot the other editor on sight, whether on the street, at the post office, or in the theatre.

Meanwhile the excitement in the community grew more and more tense; both papers were bought by the thousands so soon as the newsboys appeared on the street; and the fever reached white heat. Our editor in the woods, thoroughly alarmed, broke camp and rushed home to prevent bloodshed....and found that the editor of the competing paper had himself gone away August 1 on a yachting cruise, and had by chance engaged this same young man to edit his paper. Two papers, one editor, one big fight; circulation of both papers boomed to five times normal; and only a sham battle after all!

Now, Empty Seats, of course a clergyman cannot work just that same scheme; but he can "work" human nature just as effectively. More than one minister I know has stirred up excitement and filled his pews to the full by fighting something or somebody eminent. Our New York city neighbor attacked the faith of his own Church, dared his Bishop to bring him to trial for heresy, attained to the heaven of newspaper publicity and had "standing room only" at his church....

What? "Why don't I try some such plan?" Listen to me, Empty Seats: I'd rather preach to you, empty as you are, all my earthly days than to attack the Bible I love, deny the deity of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, whom I adore, cause a schism in the Church which is the Body of Christ and draw attention to myself by unchristian-like sensationalism, and convert my pulpit into a theatre or a circus! Besides, nothing of that kind fills seats permanently. When the excitement dies down both church and preacher are deadlier than before—
—Rev. Crawford Farnsworth, D. D., in The Expositor.

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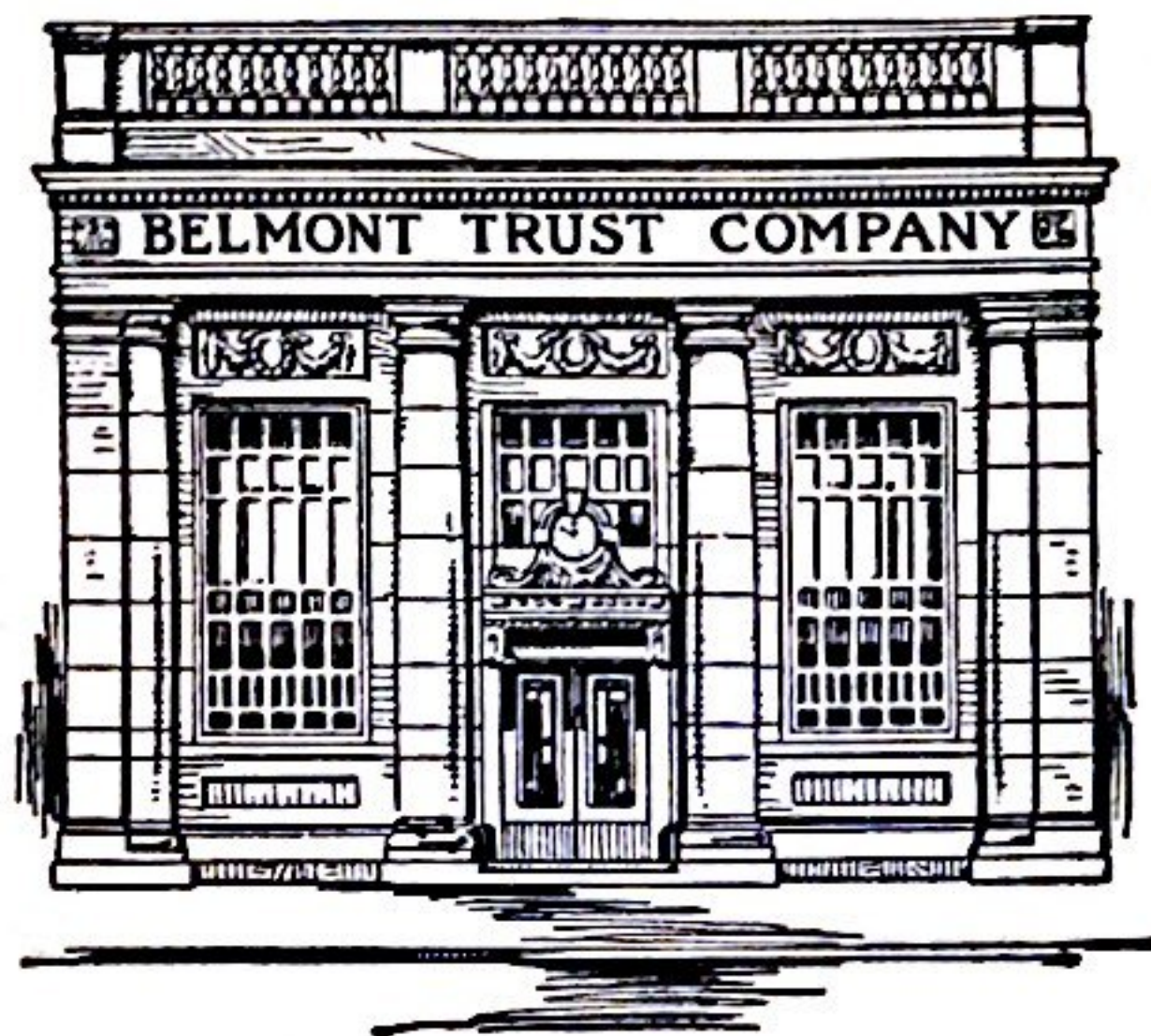
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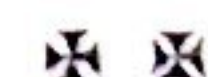
CALENDAR

March.

- 2—Quinquagesima Sunday.
- 5—Ash Wednesday (Strict Fast).
- 9—First Sunday in Lent.
- 12, 14, 15—Ember Days.
- 16—Second Sunday in Lent.
- 23—Third Sunday in Lent.
- 25—Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- 30—Fourth Sunday in Lent.

April.

- 6—Fifth (Passion) Sunday in Lent.



PARISH REGISTER

Communicants Received.

- Feb. 3—Mrs. Martha Clark
- Miss Dorothy Louise Evans
- Mrs. Myron H. Werkheiser,
- from Church of the Atonement.

Burials.

- Jan. 22—Edward Conner.
- Jan. 25—May Perinchief.
- Feb. 4—Ruby Harris Weiss.
- Feb. 16—Georgetta Collum.



To Keep a True Lent.

Is this a fast to keep
The larder lean,
And clean
From fat of veals and sheep?

Is it to quit the dish
Of flesh, yet still
To fill
The platter high with fish?

Is it to fast an hour,
Or ragged to go,
Or show
A downcast look, and sour?

No: 'tis a fast, to dole
The sheaf of wheat
And meat
Unto the hungry soul.

It is to fast from strife,
From old debate
And hate:
To circumsise thy life.

To show a heart grief-rent;
To starve thy sin,
Not him;

And that's to keep thy Lent.
—Robert Herrick, 1633.

THE MEANING OF LENT

By the Rev. George Craig Stewart, D. D.

Detachment that is the first meaning "The world is too much with us: late and soon, getting and spending, we lay waste our powers." Our lives are cluttered with engagements of every sort; we waste our vitality upon the things that really make no difference; days are a tangled skein of interests that cross and re-cross until the simplicity and sweetness and wholesomeness of Christian living is almost hopelessly obscured. "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world." To give up the theatre during Lent, and card parties and all the rest, is but one of the wise means which every Churchman employs to correct perspective, to get singleness of vision and of aim, to put the Kingdom of God where it belongs—first.

Enrichment—That is the second meaning. We detach ourselves from many customary and innocent occupations to devote ourselves to the spiritual enrichment of lives which get trodden down into hardness by the going to and fro of the habitual. To break up the soil by penitential exercises, to let the grace of God do its work in the cool and quiet shadows of retirement, to mix the other world with this one by prayers oft and meditations oft, to deepen the life that the seed of the Kingdom may get firm root—this is also our purpose in Lent.

Investment next—for Lent is not a season of selfishness. We shall miss the biggest meaning of all our self-denials, our prayers, our church-going, unless we find strength rising up within us and demanding tasks to do for the King. "Knowing that He was come from God and went to God, He took a towel and girded Himself and began to wash His disciples' feet." That is the record of our Lord. Lent does not mean Buddhist dreaming. It means detachment and enrichment only to an issue of helpfulness for others. Do not wrap your Lenten life up and bury it.

D—E—F—there are the initial letters. You see what they mean, don't you? "of God." The love of God, the life of God, the service of God.
A Lent of God.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

March.

Love.

1. Generosity, Tobit 4:7-11.
2. Love, I Cor. 13.
3. Love of God, I St. John 4:7-14.
4. Love of God, Rom. 8:35-39.

O God Who art worthy of a greater love than we can either give or understand; fill our hearts, we beseech Thee, with such love towards Thee, that nothing may seem too hard for us to do or to suffer in obedience to Thy will. And grant that thus loving Thee we may daily become more like unto Thee, and finally may obtain the crown of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Way of Choice.

5. Repentance, I St. John 1:1-9.
6. Self-control, II St. Peter 1:5-11.
7. Self-denial, St. Matt. 16:24-27.
8. Self-sacrifice, St. Matt. 20:23-28.

O Lord, give us more charity, more self-denial, more likeness to Thee. Teach us to sacrifice our comforts to others, and our likings for the sake of doing good. Make us kindly in thought, gentle in word, generous in deed. Teach us that it is better to give than to receive, better to forget ourselves than to put ourselves forward; better to minister than to be ministered unto. Lead us to greater penitence for our shortcomings. And unto Thee, the God of Love, be all glory and praise, both now and for evermore. Amen.

Confession.

9. Confession, I St. John 1:6-2:2.
10. Chastity, I Thess. 4:1-8.
11. Profanity, Ecclus. 23:7-13.
12. Perversion of Life, St. Matt 15:10-20.
13. Conversion, Acts 26:9-19.
14. Forgiveness, St. Matt. 18:21-22.
15. Discipline of the Soul, I Cor. 9:24-27.

O Lord, we draw near unto Thee, acknowledging our unworthiness, and we beseech Thee that all the sins and defects of our past services may be freely pardoned and entirely done away, through the precious Blood of Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Church.

16. The Christian Society, Col. 3:12-17.
17. Corporate Religion, I Cor. 11:18-26.
18. Loyalty to the Church, Acts 2:43-47.
19. The Parish, Rev. 3:10-13.
20. Christian Armor, Eph. 6:11-18.
21. Consolations of Religion, I Cor. 15:12-22.

22. An Awakened Church, Isa. 58:6-12.
O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favorably on Thy whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and by the tranquil operation of Thy perpetual providence carry out the work of man's salvation; and let the whole world feel and see that things which were cast down are being raised up, that those which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are returning to perfection through Him from Whom they took their origin, even through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Way of Salvation.

23. Regeneration, St. John 3:1-8.
24. Holy Baptism, Rom. 6:1-5.
25. Incarnation, St. Luke 1:26-35.
26. Holy Communion, I Cor. 11:23-26.
27. Before Holy Communion, Psalm 42.
28. After Holy Communion, St. John 6:44-58.
29. Preparation, St. Matt. 24:42-47.

Let the Holy Communion be to me, O God, a beginning of better things, as if only now I began to know Thee. Let me now and henceforth forsake that which has tempted me. Let me now and henceforth do these things that I have perceived to be of Thy will for me; by the grace of the Holy Ghost and the intercession of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Practices of the Way of Life.

30. Prayer, St. Mark 9:17-29.
31. Retirement for Prayer, St. Luke 6:12-19.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who didst say to Thy disciples, Come ye apart into a desert place and rest awhile; grant we beseech Thee that we may so seek Thee Whom our souls desire that we may both find Thee and be found of Thee, Who livest and reignest One God for ever and ever. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

MY DEAR PARISHIONERS:

The observance of Lent is an obligation resting on all Church people when "the Church requires such a measure of abstinence as is more especially suited to extraordinary acts and exercises of devotion."

It is our *duty*, therefore, to "keep Lent."

Duty, considered merely as obligation, however, is apt to prove irksome and so fruitless. It should be our pleasure to do our duty.

Duty is what is due—what we owe—a debt which we should pay.

Lent is a special opportunity, as well as an obligation, to pay our debts, though we should by no means consider that attendance at Church in Lent exempts us from Church duties at other times, which are also debts which must be paid.

There are ways of observing Lent which are helpful and wise. There are also ways which are harmful and foolish.

Choose the helpful and wise methods. Have a definite spiritual purpose in mind, and determine which line of procedure will best serve the desired end.

Church attendance is not an end in itself, but merely a means to an end. The end is *the knowledge of God*. We attend Church as a means of learning to know God.

Additional opportunities of attending Church are given during Lent. Avail yourselves of them, and so build up your faith and deepen your love.

You *should* have time, for one of the things from which you should abstain is mere time-spending engagements. Most persons can readily abstain from frequent dances, theatres, movies, etc.

The matter of food is, in my mind, less important, for few of us are accustomed to excessive eating. Even there, however, some abstinence can be practised, and non-essential items might be curtailed. I cannot see that substitution of one food for another is fasting or even abstinence if we eat as much of one as the other! Actual fasting has at times very beneficial effects on physical health. If one "diets" to maintain graceful figure, there is more reason to "diet" to benefit the soul.

In all things be conscientious and sincere.

While claiming to be good Church people, let us not cast discredit on the Church by unworthy conduct during the season now regarded by practically all people as a holy season in which our spiritual life may be strengthened.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

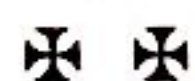
P. S.—Attention is called to the list of Lenten Services on page 10. A folder will be mailed to each parishioner. Kindly keep a copy for frequent reference.

PARISH NOTES

The Finance Committee of the Vestry has issued a letter to the parishioners, calling attention to the deficit in parochial finances. It is extremely important that the deficit for 1923 be met in full, and equally as important that no deficit for 1924 be allowed.

Easter has been of recent years a day on which special offerings for parish deficits have been taken. The Rector hopes that our shortage will be made up *before* Easter, so that the spiritual nature of the great festival may be given its full place. Our gratitude to God for the joyful Resurrection should be shown in other ways than by paying financial debts which our gratitude should have prevented from occurring!

If the parish is able and willing to liquidate its financial obligations by Easter, it can as easily be done *before*! I know it is able. I am sure it is willing. I earnestly ask that our own "sacrifice offering" shall be made immediately.—F. E. S.



FLAGS

A parishioner has very kindly presented to the parish a flag of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, which has been placed in position overhanging the new Chapel in the north transept. The national flag has been hung in a corresponding position in the south transept.

As the Diocesan Flag may be unfamiliar to some in the parish, the following description is appended.

"The white field with its red cross is the flag of St. George and stands for England and her Church. It is also distinctly ecclesiastical and symbolic of the Christian faith.

The three golden crowns are the principal charge on the arms of Sweden, and so proclaim the existence of the old Swedes' parishes that are scattered throughout the Diocese.

"The black border with its white discs, is taken from the arms of the family of William Penn."

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

The supper and entertainment given by the Women's Guild to the young people of the parish on Saturday evening, February 9, was very successful. The object of it was for the older and the younger people to become acquainted with each other. The young folks seemed to enjoy it very much, and a letter of appreciation for it has been sent to the Guild. It is also hoped to get the young people interested in the Church Service and quite a number of them were at one of the services the next day. The meetings of the Women's Guild are well attended, 30 being present at the meeting of February 15. The members seem to be much interested and enthusiastic. This month we give out of our treasury \$100 for the publishing of "The St. Phillip's Record," and 50 hymnals will be bought to distribute in the pews of the Church, as there seems to be need of more of them.

MARTHA W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

The Altar Society has presented three hymnals with music to the Church in memory of Miss Anna M. Fox. The books are for use in the Sanctuary and Choir.

MISSION STUDY CLASS

On Monday, March 3, at 2.30 P. M., the Mission Study Class commences its sessions in the Parish House.

Japan is the country to be considered this year.

All women of the Parish are cordially invited to attend any or all of these meetings on Monday afternoons during Lent.

Our "Sacrifice week" offering amounted to \$524, an excellent indication of the interest of the parish in the general Church.

A most successful rummage sale was held on February 5 and 6 in the Parish House by the Mothers' Meeting under the direction of Miss Ashburner.

YOUNG PEOPLE

On February 9, the Woman's Guild gave a dinner to the young people of the parish, followed by a dance.

About 40 guests were present. It is splendid that this recognition of the growing place of young people in the Church was made by the Women's Guild, which is ever alert in parish welfare.

These young boys and girls, in their early manhood and womanhood, are the hope of the Church in the next generation. They are developing serious interest in the Church and are preparing themselves to serve intelligently and to become its leaders. It is well that their existence is noticed. The best thought of the parish should be given to the welfare of its young people and children.

On the same day, in Washington, a conference of young people of the Province of Washington was held, the Rector and the Rev. C. E. Tuke, D. D., attending as official delegates of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Representatives from 10 of the 13 dioceses in the Province were present.

The Conference organized a Provincial Young People's League, the first in existence, composed of the Diocesan Young People's Leagues, or, where no Diocesan organization exists, of individual parochial societies.

The age of the members of the League was limited to persons from 15 to 25 years of age.

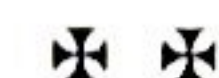
Mr. Green, of Roanoke, Va., was elected president; Miss Surfield, of Bethlehem, secretary. Four vice presidents including Mr. Sperry, of Washington, and Miss Thompson, of Pittsburgh, were chosen to have charge of the four lines of endeavor—Prayer, Service, Worship and Fellowship.

It is planned that an annual mass meeting of young people in the Province shall be held and that two meetings of the Central Council, consisting of delegates from each Diocese shall be held.

The earnestness of the members of the League, present, was a good assurance of the important part the young people

will play in the life of the Province and of their ability to do that work.

Steps are now being taken to effect an organization of Young People's Societies in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.



CHURCH SCHOOL

The Lenten offering of the Church School in recent years has been as follows:

1917	.....	\$253.39
1918	.....	319.79
1919	.....	246.10
1920	.....	346.40
1921	.....	406.70
1922	.....	521.65
1923	.....	650.00

During this time, the enrollment has not increased, rather the reverse, due to removals. The figures show, therefore, that the school has given more per capita.

The money represents individual or class efforts in earning and giving money, not augmented by the proceeds from general bazaars, etc. It is a most creditable achievement.

Last year \$600 of the offering was devoted to missionary work in Alaska.

This year \$500 of the offering will be used to purchase an automobile for a missionary in Eastern Oregon, of which the Rt. Rev. Wm. P. Remington is Bishop. This counts on our Quota.



NINTH CRUSADE

In accordance with Bishop Garland's request, a fund of money has been raised by the Church School, which engaged in the "Ninth Crusade" for the Preservation of Sacred Shrines in Palestine. A total of \$45.50 was obtained within the time appointed.

Note.

It must not be thought that money raising is the chief business of our Church School; it is only a by-product, symbolic of the interest in the work of the school and the Church at large, and a testimony to the excellent work done by the teachers.

WHAT IS RELIGION?

These are days when a clear knowledge of the meaning of religion is essential; when definite teaching should be given by the clergy and received by the laity.

"The object of religious teaching is to make us feel, as a living reality, the existence of our Father in Heaven, our own personal relationship to Him, and the obligations which that relationship necessarily involves."

Religion binds us to God by rules of bonds. The bonds of God are not fetters but helps. "His service is perfect freedom."

We have been playing with God too much in the past. It is time now to be sober-minded, and to realize the importance of religion.

Religion entails sacrifice, of time, of self, of money.

Unless we can truly say "And here we offer and present unto Thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable holy and living sacrifice unto Thee," we must not delude ourselves into thinking that we are serving God. Nor should we consider ourselves entitled to the privileges of the Church.

"The Way of Life" is a "narrow" way, in which those who enter find the "width of God's mercy," the fulness of joy, and superabundant life.

A course of definite teaching in Christian doctrine is being given on Sunday mornings under the general title, "The Way of Life."

1. This is the Way, walk ye in it. Religion points us to the Way, and keeps us in it.

2. Religion is a Way of Holiness, for God, the Father is Holy.

3. Religion is a Way of Holiness, for God, the Son, is the Holy One of God.

4. Religion is the Way of Holiness, for God, the Spirit, is Holy and makes men holy.

5. Religion is a Way of Choice, requiring obedience.

6. Man often departs from the Way, through sin, and needs repentance, confession and absolution.

7. The Church is the Way back to God.

8. The Way of Salvation is found through the Sacraments.

9. Practices along the Way include Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

10. Helps along the Way include Bible reading, and Work for Others.

11. The End of the Way is the Kingdom of God.

12. Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life.



SUBSTITUTES FOR THE CHRISTIAN YEAR

January 20—Share with Others Day.

February 10—Boy Scout Sunday.

April 27—Humane Sunday.

May 4—Victory Loan Sunday, also Employment Sunday.

May 11—Mothers' Day.

May 18—Civic Righteousness Day.

June 8—Boy Scout Sunday, also Prohibition Sunday, also Reconstruction Sunday, also Children's Day.

June 15—Book Sunday.

June 22—Thrift Sunday.

September 1—Labor Sunday.

September 14—Constitution Sunday.

October 12—Civic Sunday.

October 26—Thrift Sunday, also Roosevelt Sunday.

November 2—Red Cross Sunday, also Anti Slang Sunday.

November 9—Inter Church Federation Sunday.

November 11—Armistice Sunday, also "Not Over" Sunday.

January 13—Good Citizenship Sunday.

Innumerable other specially appointed Sundays—Go to Church Day, and such like have been called for in the past few years. The tendency justifies the old Christian Year, which, for several centuries has observed

Go to Church Day, on Epiphany 1.

Labor Sunday, on Septuagesima Sunday.

Mothers' Day, on Lent IV.

Children's Day, on The Innocents' Day. etc.

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Would you rather work with them, than with "things"?

Do you really want to see your friends better men and women, more able to meet life's strains?

Are you deeply stirred by injustice, inequality, misery and want when you see them about you?

Are you fundamentally optimistic in your outlook on society, not blinking at facts, but believing that a remedy for social ills can be found, and are you willing to search hard to find the solution?

When you think you have found it, are you willing "to stand by your guns" in face of criticism from conservatives?

Are you a good student? Not necessarily brilliant, but faithful and plugging, and logical in your thought process?

Can you state your conclusions convincingly in public?

Have you a sense of humor?

Do you mix well with other men?

If you make friends readily, do you keep them?

Can you work well under other people?

Are you capable of team play?

Have you good health?

Are you careful in your finances?

Are you careful in your personal appearance?

Do you pray, and not merely "say your prayers"?

Are you willing to bear the heavy end of the load either in America or some other land?

Do you really desire to help all men to know about Christ?

If, so far, you have been able to answer yes to these questions, you should send to The Book Store, Church Missions House, for Dr. Slattery's book *The Minister* (50 cents, paper; \$1.00, cloth), for you are made of just the stuff that profession demands. It is a hard task, and its rewards are chiefly spiritual.

LENTEN SERVICES



Ash Wednesday, March 5
(Strict Fast)

7.30 A. M.—Holy Communion.
9.30 A. M.—Morning Prayer.
10.00 A. M.—Holy Communion.
4.30 P. M.—Children's Service.
8.00 P. M.—Evening Service.



SUNDAYS IN LENT

7.30 A. M.—Holy Communion.
9.45 A. M.—Church School.
11.00 A. M.—Holy Communion (March 9, 23, April 6)
Morning Prayer—(March 16, 30, April 13)
7.45 P. M.—Evening Service.



WEEKDAYS IN LENT

Tuesdays

7.30 A. M.—Holy Communion.
4.30 P. M.—Evening Prayer.



Wednesdays

8 P. M.—Evening Service.



Thursdays

9.30 A. M.—Holy Communion.
10.15 A. M.—Discussion Class.



Fridays

4.30 P. M.—Children's Service.



LENTEN TOPICS

Sundays, 11 A. M.—"The Way of Life."
7.43 P. M.—"Follow Me."

Mondays, 2.30 P. M.—Mission Study Class—Japan.

Tuesdays, 4.30 P. M.—"The Six Marys."

Wednesday, 8 P. M.—"God Manifesting Himself through us."

Thursdays, 9.30 A. M.—"The Riches of the House of God."

Fridays, 4.30 P. M.—"Our Work in the World."—(Illustrated.)



DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Mar. 12, 14, 15, Ember Days—(Pray for the Ministry, and for an increase in numbers and power.)

Mar. 25—Holy Communion 9.30 A. M. Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, (Pray for the sanctity of home life.)



CORPORATE COMMUNIONS OF CONFIRMATION ALUMNI

Sundays in Lent, 7.30 A. M.

March 9—Classes of 1909, 1910, 1911.

March 16—Classes of 1912, 1913, 1914.

March 23—Classes 1915, 1916.

March 30—Classes of 1917, 1918, 1919.

April 6—Classes of 1920, 1921, 1922.

April 13—Classes of 1923, 1924.

EASTER DAY—April 20, 6.30, 7.30 and 11.00 A. M.
EVERY COMMUNICANT.

7. The Church is the Way back to God.

8. The Way of Salvation is found through the Sacraments.

9. Practices along the Way include Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

10. Helps along the Way include Bible reading, and Work for Others.

11. The End of the Way is the Kingdom of God.

12. Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life.



SUBSTITUTES FOR THE CHRISTIAN YEAR

January 20—Share with Others Day.

February 10—Boy Scout Sunday.

April 27—Humane Sunday.

May 4—Victory Loan Sunday, also Employment Sunday.

May 11—Mothers' Day.

May 18—Civic Righteousness Day.

June 8—Boy Scout Sunday, also Prohibition Sunday, also Reconstruction Sunday, also Children's Day.

June 15—Book Sunday.

June 22—Thrift Sunday.

September 1—Labor Sunday.

September 14—Constitution Sunday.

October 12—Civic Sunday.

October 26—Thrift Sunday, also Roosevelt Sunday.

November 2—Red Cross Sunday, also Anti Slang Sunday.

November 9—Inter Church Federation Sunday.

November 11—Armistice Sunday, also "Not Over" Sunday.

January 13—Good Citizenship Sunday.

Innumerable other specially appointed days—Go to Church Day, and such have been called for in the past few years.

The tendency justifies the old Christian Year, which, for several centuries has observed

Go to Church Day, on Epiphany 1.

Labor Sunday, on Septuagesima Sunday.

Mothers' Day, on Lent IV.

Children's Day, on The Innocents' Day.

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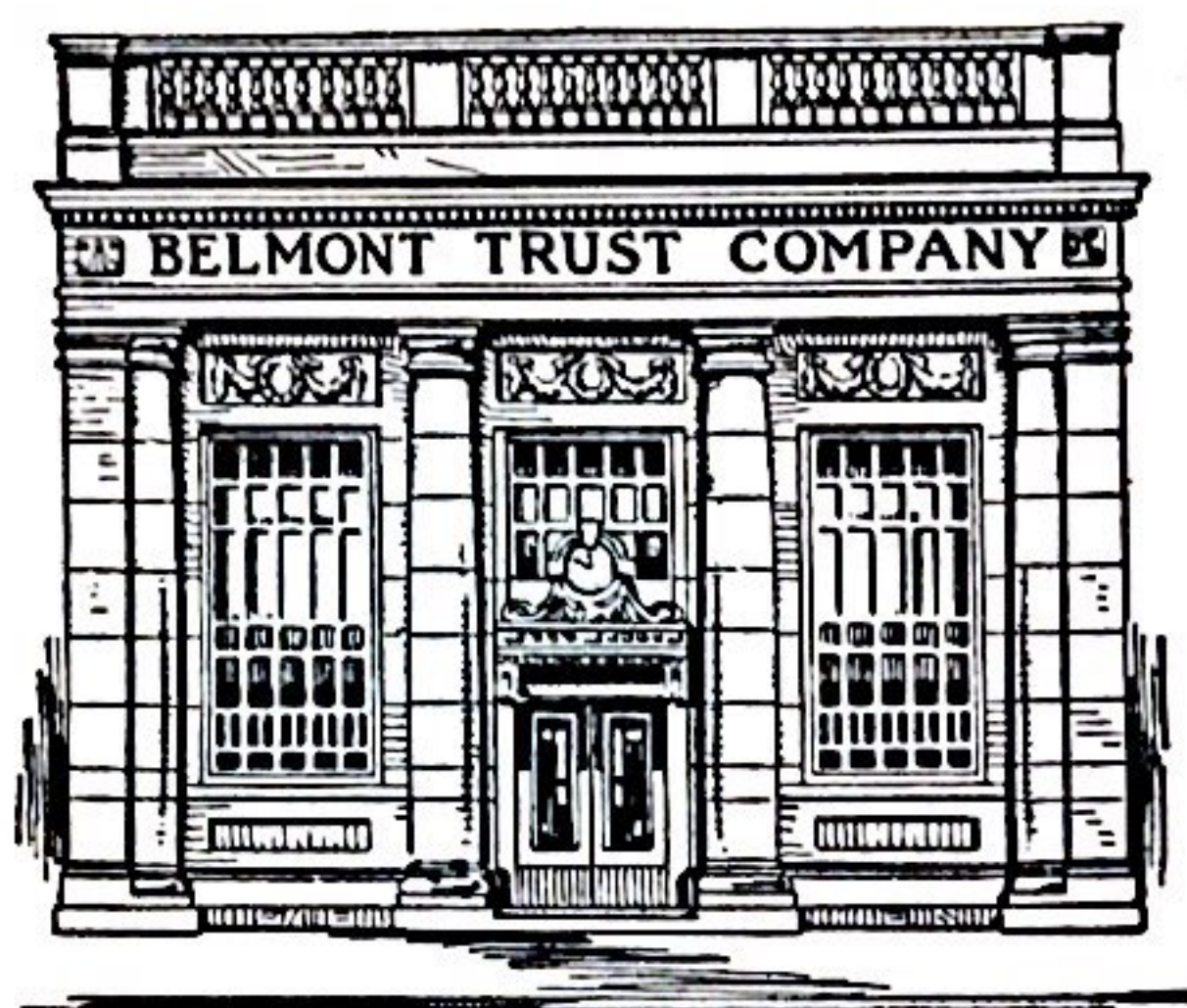
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SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
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7.45 P. M. Evening Service

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CALENDAR

January.

1. Circumcision.
4. Second Sunday after Christmas.
6. The EPIPHANY.
11. First Sunday after the Epiphany.
18. Second Sunday after the Epiphany.
25. Conversion of St. Paul (Third Sunday after the Epiphany).

February.

1. Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany.
2. The Presentation of Christ.

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PARISH REGISTER

Communicant Received.

December 14.—Marion W. Bryant, from
St. Paul's Church, Camden, N. J.

Communicants Transferred.

December 5.—Emilie O. Dallett,
Anna C. Dallett, to Holy
Trinity Church, Phila-
delphia.

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Altar Flowers for January.

First Sunday—Mrs. H. A. Stevens.
Second Sunday—Mrs. T. B. Starling.
Third Sunday—
Fourth Sunday—Mrs. M. T. Ringer.

February.

First Sunday—Miss Mabel Delany.
Second Sunday—Mrs. W. B. Rile.
Third Sunday—Mrs. F. G. Long.
Fourth Sunday—Mrs. E. H. Ferree.

It is desirable that flowers should be
provided for the Altar every Sunday.
Application for vacant dates may be made
to members of the Altar Guild.

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What will the New Year bring to thee
Fame and Renown?
All that Life holds precious
Or sorrow's crown?

What will the New Year ask of thee?
Charity begun.
Hours filled with kindly deeds
Thy work well done.

What will the old year leave with thee
As it departs?
Gladness around thy days
Joy in thy heart.

W. S. D.

Confirmation.

The Bishop of the Diocese has ap-
pointed March 15 as the date of his visi-
tation of this Parish for the purpose of
administering the Sacrament of Confir-
mation.

All persons who are desirous of being
confirmed are requested to notify the
Rector as soon as possible, and to attend
the instruction classes.

Instructions will be given for children
on Friday afternoons at 4.15, commenc-
ing January 9, and for adults on Sunday
evenings at the regular service.

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THE GREAT GIFT

By B. A. M. Schapiro.

Blessed Lord, our glorious Host;
Through Thy promised Holy Ghost,
At the Table where the bread
And the wine of life are spread,
Meet Thy faithful who partake
Of these emblems for Thy sake.

Gather Thou dear saints of Thine,
Bought by Thee, O Christ Divine,
By the death which Thou didst die,
Bring them to Thy bosom nigh;
Of Thy mercy and Thy love,
Feed with manna from above.

But as they who know Thee well,
Seek Thy passion thus to tell,
May they not forget Thine own
Of Thy blood and race well known,
Who with darkened, blinded eyes
Catch no vision in the skies.

Lord, heal Thou the broken parts;
Softens Thou their hardened hearts;
From despair Thy brethren lift;
Be their everlasting gift;
Jesus, Prophet, King and Priest,
Draw them to Thy sacred feast.

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TRIPLE THANKS

Thanks are heartily given
to all who contributed towards the dec-
orations of the Church at Christmas-
time; in money and time;
to all who assisted in the Every Mem-
ber Canvass;
to all who took part in the Christmas
entertainment of the Church School
and assisted in its preparation.

Thanks! Thanks! Thanks!

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

JANUARY

Newness.

1. A new Name—Gen. 32:34-50.
2. A new Life—Rev. 21:1-8.
3. A new Task—St. Mark 1:21-28.

Strong Son of God, on the threshold of the New Year we pray:

May nothing false pass our lips. May our lives be real, our hearts pure, our spirit right. May all that is unseemly be eliminated. May our hearthstones be centers of wholesome influence. May God be a partner in our business. May our social life be elevating; our Church life as becometh saints. Grant this our prayer, O God the Sanctifier, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Manifestation of God to Man.

4. The Boy Jesus—St. Lu. 2:40-50.
5. Jesus and St. John Baptist—St. Matt. 3:1-17.
6. Jesus and Wise Men—St. Matt. 2:1-12.
7. Jesus and Temptation—St. Matt. 4:1-11.
8. Jesus and His Friends—St. Jn. 1:35-51.
9. Jesus and the Church—St. Jn. 2:13-22.
10. Jesus and His Work—St. Matt. 4:23-25.

Eternal Father, Who hast sent Thy Son Jesus Christ to reveal to the world the message of Thy love, and to redeem mankind from sin; Bless Thy Church to-day, that by holiness and faith it may bear effective witness to the Godhead of our Blessed Redeemer, and may so manifest in its life the power of His Deity that the day of His coming may be hastened and the triumph of His Kingdom be accomplished in the power of the Spirit, Who with Thee and the same Christ, Thy Son, ever liveth and reigneth for evermore. Amen.

Manifestation of God in Man.

11. In Thought. Phil. 4:4-13.
12. In Consideration. Thes. 5:5-23.
13. In Calmness. St. Matt. 6:19-34.
14. In Purity. I Cor. 6.
15. In Contentment. Isaiah 5:8-26.
16. In Kindness. Isaiah 58.
17. In Spirituality. Gal. 5:13-26.

O God, our Heavenly Father, who didst manifest Thyself in Thy Son, our Saviour, grant that we may live our days in constant recollection of our true relation, as individuals, to Thee, the Originating and Indwelling Spirit. May our conscious minds perceive that Thy Life, Thy Spirit, Thy Thoughts, are within us, and that Thou art seeking to manifest Thy Love through us, Thy children. May our lives be pure dwelling places for Thy Spirit and our thoughts be only such as will help, heal, and bless. May we remember that unrighteous anger and unbrotherliness towards others, thwarts Thy divine purpose and grieves Thy Holy Spirit. May our highest aim be to make Thee manifest and to rise each day into a higher consciousness of Thy Life and Thy Love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Religion in the Family.

18. Dignity of Childhood—St. Mark 10:13-16.
19. Choosing God—Josh. 24:14-18.
20. Teaching the Children—Deut. 6:20-25.
21. Holding the Faith—II St. Tim. 1:1-14.
22. Christian Nurture—I St. Tim. 4:6-16.
23. Knowledge of the Bible—II St. Tim. 3:14-17.
24. Sacraments in the Family—St. Lu. 24:28-35.

O Thou, Who art the God of all the families of the earth; we beseech Thee to bless all our friends and kindred wherever they may be. Grant that we may ever be knit together in the bonds of mutual love and that we may love Thee with all our strength, and with perfect affection do Thy pleasure, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St. Paul.

25. A Persecuting Pharisee—Acts 7:58; 8:3.
 26. A Chosen Vessel—Acts 9:1-19.
 27. A Leader of His Time—Acts 16:16-40.
 28. Work Undertaken—II Cor. 10.
 29. Conflict and Victory—II Cor. 6.
 30. Nearing the End—Acts 20:17-38.
 31. Faithful unto Death—II St. Tim. 4.
- Almighty Saviour, Who at midday didst call Thy servant Saint Paul to be an Apostle to the Gentiles; We beseech Thee, illumine the world with the radiance of Thy glory, that all nations may come and worship Thee, Who art, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Of course there is no actual difference between January 1 and December 31. Calendars are only mechanical aids to reckoning.

But there is a psychological difference.

A new sheet of paper suggests the opportunity of writing better—without blots and mistakes. A new (additional) day gives promise of better things than the day that has ended. "Tomorrow is another day."

Here are some possibilities of our "New Year."

Our Lord said, "Behold I make all things new." St. Paul said: "Forgetting, therefore the things that are behind, let us press on." "Forward be our watchword" for this New Year.

Strive for a new Vision of God, and of your place and part in His plans. If you have been lax and careless about religion, turn about and "go straight forward." Stir up your wills. Follow the Spirit. Attend Church regularly. You will help your neighbor and yourself by so doing. The Church is dealing with values that are eternal. Share those values. Be on time for the beginning of services and remain until they are over. Time in Church is well spent.

Do your duty to your children. They are influenced more by your example than by your words. See that they attend Church and Church School. Go with them. Let them see that you attach as much importance to Church School as to Day School.

Do not be content to stand still in things religious. GROW. If you do not go forward, you are falling behind.

True Church members must experience conversion. The Christian is one who has been born anew, and gives himself unreservedly as a witness to the power of Christ.

Learn to pray—earnestly, directly, naturally.

When we have really experienced Christianity, we shall not worry about Budgets and Benevolences, Members or Missions. "All these things will be added unto us." For the converted give their best work and their best gifts to the Best Cause.

"Go forward, Christian Soldier."

In your progress, your New Year—and all the years—will be happy.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

Women's Guild.

The members of the Women's Guild met on Wednesday, December 10, for a day of sewing. A number of pieces for the Supply Bureau of the Woman's Auxiliary were finished. Having lunch together makes a real sociable time, and one member feels better acquainted with another. The business meeting was in the afternoon at 3 o'clock, and consisted in hearing the nominations for the new officers for the incoming year, and the result of the money brought in through the block cards sent out through the entire parish. All the other years we

have had \$1000 through this plan. This year so far only about \$840. This is a great disappointment, as the money is so much needed for the necessary repairs in the church. We still hope that the full amount may be raised, if the friends who have neglected sending in their pledges will do so at once.

The sending out of the Christmas baskets has been done as usual. The baskets were filled with all sorts of good things, and were sent to the homes where they were most needed.

MARTHA W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

Envelope System Objections.

(1) "It's too much bother to make change and fill the envelopes every week. I'd rather pay in a lump sum and be done with it."

That is precisely what you ought not to do—to "be done with it." God has ordained giving to be an integral part of worship, as much so as prayer and praise; it was recognized as such as long ago as the days of the Psalmist. The divine way is, "Bring an offering and come into His courts." (Ps. 96:8); or "Come near and bring sacrifices and thank-offerings." (II Chron. 29:31.) Moreover, instead of considering your own convenience, you should, by giving weekly, lend the benefit of your example for the sake of those who can give only if they give weekly. After all it takes less time to fill your envelope than to shave or put on a bonnet. If you wish, you can fill several envelopes at one time for weeks ahead.

(2) "Father does the giving for the whole family. He says it comes out of one pocket, anyhow, and it is easier for one to do the giving."

Why does it all come out of one pocket? Is not the family a partnership? Has not every member of it rights as well as responsibilities? Is not the mother just as really helping in the family support when in the privacy of the home she does her less conspicuous part? Is not the same true of every child who does his or her share of the household duties? The father can no more do all the giving for wife and children than can the mother do all the praying for husband and children—not without doing them a real wrong.

(3) "I do not know how much I ought to give. What is my fair share of congregational expenses?"

How much you should give depends, of course, upon how much you have to give; also upon what claims there may be which should take precedence over what your church has a right to expect of you—for its Maintenance of Services.

(4) "I object to making a pledge."

Is it fair to treat religious matters so differently from the way you treat other

obligations? You cannot buy or rent a house without entering into a contract. A church pledge reads "until further notice" you will endeavor to pay into the treasury of the Lord the amount you name. Do not the obligations of religion deserve as much consideration as ordinary commercial contract?—The Parish Helper.



Adult Education.

Adult education is based on a recognition of the fact that education is a life-long process and that the university graduate as well as the man of little schooling is in need of further training, inspiration and mental growth, that the training received in school and college is necessarily limited to fundamentals, and that the real development of the individual lies in the independent effort of later years.—A. L. A. Bulletin, Adult Education and the Library.



Death of Mr. Hutchinson.

After a long period of invalidism, during which his unfailing vigor of spirit, and keenness of mind, and cheerfulness of temperament suffered no abatement, Mr. Francis M. Hutchinson was quite suddenly called out of this life on November 25. The burial service was conducted in the Church on November 28.

For many years Mr. Hutchinson had been a Vestryman of St. Philip's as well as Vice-Director, and later Director of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew chapter. He had also been President of the Men's Guild, and was vitally interested in everything pertaining to the welfare of the Parish.

The influence and example of such a loyal parishioner are widespread and enduring.

The sympathy of the Parish is extended to the widow in her loss.



The Rector and Mrs. Seymour desire to express their appreciation of the numerous remembrances received at Christmas-time, from the members of the congregation.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Part of our Lenten offering for 1924 was designated for a Ford for use in Eastern Oregon. Owing to complications of bookkeeping in the National Office, Bishop Remington did not know that we had done what the Rector had promised him, until the Rector met the Bishop in the Church House a few weeks ago and asked if the Ford had been received. Here is the Bishop's letter to us all:

December 8, 1924.

My dear Mr. Seymour:

Since seeing you in Philadelphia I have written to the Treasurer of the National Council in order to discover whether they had ever received any designated funds from your Parish to apply on work, or rather for an automobile, in Eastern Oregon. He writes me November 21, "We have searched our records and the only \$500 that we find designated for Eastern Oregon is from St. Philip's Church, and that came in as a Church School Lenten offering designated as a quota item and to pay for a Ford. It was received here June 7 last. We do not find any other Philadelphia designation of this kind." I wrote Mr. Tompkins asking why the Treasurer's office had not notified me of this gift, so that I might write personally and thank the Church.

I write this in explanation of what might seem a failure on the part of Eastern Oregon to appreciate your splendid gift to our work, and to keep you in touch with the way it has been used, and thus give you that personal element which you desire in designating your gifts. Permit me to thank you now and to say to the members of your Church School how deeply we appreciate what they have done towards our work in the past year. An automobile is absolutely essential to the efficiency of any Missionary in Eastern Oregon. We have isolated spots which can only be reached when Henry Ford lends a hand. Such a gift increases the efficiency of our staff two-fold. I am venturing to send under separate cover some copies of our Oregon Trail Churchman, which may assist your Church

School in learning more about the work in which they have already shown such a deep interest.

With kindest remembrances and a happy Christmas to you all, I remain,

Faithfully yours,

WILLIAM P. REMINGTON,

Bishop of Eastern Oregon.



Another Ford!

The Church School Service League of the Diocese has given a Ford to Bishop Mize, of Salina, Kansas, as a Christmas present, for the use of one of his missionaries.

Our Church School sent \$20 from its missionary contributions.

As this item, as well as the Lenten offering, count on the "quota" our Parish has also been helped through these gifts, in raising the amount desired from us for work outside the Parish.



Christmas Gifts.

Five distinct things were accomplished by the Church School for Christmas:

A box (three boxes, in fact) containing about one hundred and eighty gifts, suitable for children of all ages, was sent to St. Mark's Mission, Atlanta, Ga., to be distributed as Christmas gifts to the colored children of that Mission.

The various classes of the Church School filled stockings with suitable small articles, and sent the stockings to a Diocesan Institution.

A generous donation of used toys, given by many members of the Church School, was sent to the House of Industry (Day Nursery) at 718 Catharine street.

In addition, a cash offering was presented at Christmas time for the Near East.

And the School made a contribution to the Parish towards the renovation expenses.

Thus the five-fold plan of Christian activity—in Parish, Diocese, Community, Nation and Word, was fulfilled.

A PARENT'S APPRECIATION

"Dear Mr. Seymour,

I enclose an offering for....and....in appreciation of the splendid training they are receiving in the Church School.

Will you kindly forward to the Treasurer of the Church or the School, as you may prefer.

With best wishes for the Christmas season and the coming year, I am

Yours sincerely,

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(The enclosed check—for Fifty Dollars,—is very gratefully acknowledged. It was given to the Accounting Warden for Church expenses. The commendation of the Church School is also encouraging.)

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A NEWSPAPERMAN ON CHRISTIANITY By Don Marquis.

In the New York Herald-Tribune.

"Real Christianity is necessarily intolerant of fraud, injustice and oppression; and while its ultimate aim is peace, it is obvious that there can be no peace where it exists until it has achieved its ultimate triumph. The moment it abates, by one whisper, its intolerant idealism, it ceases to exist; it becomes something else; it is absolute, or it is nothing; it cannot make terms, or it defeats itself; it can pardon all sinners, but never any sin; its most mild-seeming precepts are really explosive paradoxes; it is nothing to be trifled with; eventually the human race, as it finds itself on this planet, must extirpate it completely or practice it sincerely if it wants any rest; it is impossible to live near it without taking some attitude toward it. Most of the troubles of the world, since it appeared, have been stirred up in one way or another by the action of this idealism on the human spirit; people who are touched with it may and do compromise, but the thing itself does not compromise."

A RUBRIC

Prayer Book, p. 281.

"When any person is sick, notice shall be given thereof to the Minister of the Parish."

The Prayer Book places the responsibility of conveying the information on the family which desires to be visited. If the Rector receives no such notification, two inferences may be drawn—1, there is no sickness, or 2, a visit is not desired.

Every Rector is always glad to be of service to his people. One of his chief concerns is to render most helpful service to the Parish in season and out of season. He follows every clue.

Purposeless, perfunctory visiting is no longer profitable or possible under modern conditions.

The principal purpose of pastoral "calling" is (1) spiritual—to comfort in sickness or affliction, to help in the spiritual life of the people; (2) for acquaintance-ship with newcomers; (3) to reclaim the careless or unfaithful. Besides this, he should reach the unshepherded and churchless people of the community. He ought not to be a "truant officer"—though such an official might be desirable. (In most parishes he would be quite busy!)

The more or less social visiting is a common concern of the entire parish, and every parishioner could do much to maintain the church attendance of the people and the "morale" of the parish, by visiting fellow-parishioners.

The establishment of a "Block System" of parish organization would help materially in this respect.

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"Think on These Things."

"I have set God always before me, for He is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall."

"The eternal God is thy refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms."

"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil. Thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

"He satisfieth the longing soul and filleth the hungry soul with goodness."

Perplexing Situation.

The following extract from the "Living Church" for December 13, applies quite well to St. Philip's:

"We have new proofs that the small ratio of growth in statistics (in the entire Church) year by year is due to the losses sustained chiefly by city parishes in the constant drift and flux of the population. Thus, in the City of New York, St. George's Church has this year dropped 2834 names; Grace Church, 601, and St. Philip's (colored), 954. This is only an indication of the complete impossibility of preserving an accurate census of parishioners in any large city parish and particularly in downtown churches. People come and go; they take apartments and vacate them; they may only have removed the distance of a few yards, but there is no way of tracing them. In small places, these can often be followed. In the cities they have simply disappeared. No amount of the best pastoral care can prevent the huge losses that annually accrue through this drift. We have no way of making the people realize their duty to notify the rector of a change of address or to ask for a letter of transfer. No rector drops names hastily, but there must be a time when every parish list must be pruned. . . . Thus the additions annually made by confirmations are largely offset by the disappearances from our parishes."

"This is largely an urban problem. The city clergy work almost to the point of dropping. They add names upon names to their rolls. But the totals do not increase, because of the constant necessity for dropping the names of those who have disappeared."

"And there seems to be no solution to the problem."

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Dr. W. E. Orchard, a Congregationalist, thus outlines the typical Sunday of the future: The day would begin with simple, quiet celebrations of the communion, at varied hours, but all fairly early ("Religion will never mean much until we get up early for it"). Later in the morning there would be a high celebration

of the eucharist, devoted almost entirely to worship and intercession. The congregation would then divide into an instruction class for young people, the older members going into smaller groups for discussion, worship and mutual exhortation. In the afternoon there would be a large popular gathering, designed to reach the fringe adherents of the church, to consider the practical and social application of Christianity. Evening worship would be a free service with the singing of a few great hymns and the reading and exposition of a very short passage of Scripture, or of some doctrine, and then an evangelistic address.

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REASONS FOR ATTENDING CHURCH

The Rev. Dr. A. Z. Conrad, of Boston, gives the following reasons why one should attend church:

Because the church is the mightiest agency on earth for the realization of human progress.

It is the efficient advocate and ally of every great reform of our day.

It stands for the highest thinking and the most sacrificial doing.

It presents the noblest ideals of life, and points the way to their realization.

It furnishes the motive and the incentive for the expression of sympathy and compassion.

It is the supreme character-making institution in the world. It is the only organization under the sun doing business for God exclusively.

It is the divinely appointed and accredited agency for the realization of the kingdom of God on the earth.

It is the avenue through which men and women walk up the heights to God.

It relates mankind to God savingly and satisfyingly, and to one another in joyful fellowship.

In its advocacy of civic and social righteousness, it does more than all other organizations or institutions combined to make crime difficult and virtue easy.

THE DEVOTIONAL USE OF THE BIBLE

It is to be feared that the habit of reading the Bible in private for purposes of devotion has largely dropped out of modern usage, partly by reason of the general stress and urgency of modern life, and partly because men do not quite know what to make of the Bible when they read it. They are aware of the existence of what are called "critical questions," but they do not know precisely the kind of differences which criticism has made. It is a pity to acquiesce in an attitude of this kind, and it is greatly to be desired that the habit of reading the Bible regularly and becoming familiar with its contents should be revived.

There are two distinct methods of reading the Bible which are of value. One is to take a particular book and to read it straight through like a novel, in order to get the impression of the writer's message as a whole. Advantage may be taken of occasional opportunities of Sunday or week-day leisure for this purpose. If the book is studied with the help of a good commentary, so much the better. A man who would be ashamed to be wholly unfamiliar with modern or classical literature ought to be equally ashamed to be wholly unfamiliar with the literature of the Hebrews.

The second method of reading the Bible consists in the devotional study of particular passages, sometimes called by the formidable name of "meditation." The parts of the Bible best adapted for this purpose are the Gospels, certain portions of the Epistles, many of the Psalms, and portions of the greater Prophets. The essence of the method is to read over a short passage quietly after prayer for spiritual guidance, to browse over it for a few minutes and follow out any train of thought which may be suggested by it, to apply its message in whatever way may seem most real and practical to the spiritual problems of immediate life, and to conclude with prayer and resolution for the future. It is not practicable for the majority of men to make such a "meditation" a matter of daily habit,

though this may easily be possible for people of leisure. But it may be suggested that it is both practicable and abundantly worth while for ordinary people to allot at least half an hour a week for such a purpose. Our fathers unquestionably fed and nurtured their souls to an extraordinary degree by spiritual reading. It ought to be possible for modern people, in spite of modern distractions, to acquire and maintain the capacity to do the same.

A. E. J. RAWLINSON.

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Wanted—Men.

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Men to take hold when some others stand still,

Men independent of praise or of blame,
Men whose professions are not to their shame.

Men whose religion is vital and true,
Men who will live as they know they should do,

Men who on Sundays do not forget God,
Men to whom duty is never a rod.

Men who feel shame for a half empty church,

Men whose neglect will not Christ's name besmirch,

Men who are challenged by things as they are,

Men who thus show that their manhood's at par.

—The Parish Helper.

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A BUDDHIST ON THE BIBLE

A Buddhist scholar, son of a Buddhist priest, and reared in the strictest tenets of his faith, relates his experiences when coming in contact with Christianity, by saying:

"By degrees, as I went on reading the Bible, I understood that the teaching of Christ is not only not inferior to any other religion, but that it is so far above them that they cannot be compared to it. Christianity includes everything good to be found in Shin Shu, Nichiren Shu, and Zen Shu (Buddhist orders), and is higher than all. I am not making light of Buddhism; but I believe that its purpose is realized best in Christianity. After the sun has risen, it is not necessary to go on burning electric lights."—The (Vermont) Mountain Echo.

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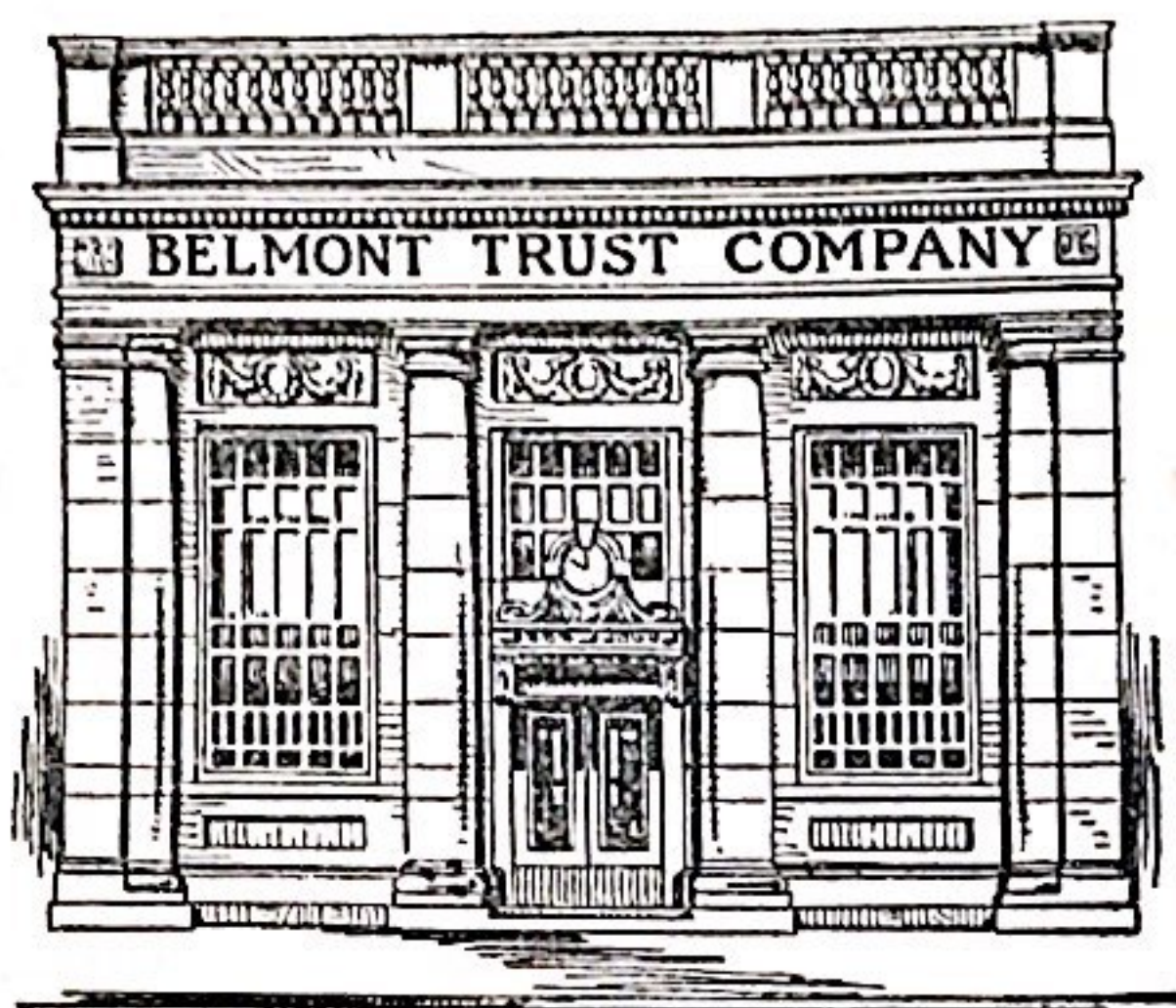
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FEBRUARY, 1925

Rector:

Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
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PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Your very careful study of the various reports contained in this issue is requested. The figures given are quite remarkable, and indicate the financial ability and the generosity of our people.

The Finance Committee of the Vestry has done splendid work in preparing such complete reports of parochial finances. Please read them diligently, and also the article by a member of the Finance Committee—"What Will You Do?"

A very liberal gift of \$1000 from the Women's Guild for organ renovation reduces the total "excess of liabilities" to about \$1800, but as the current deficit for the past years has been between \$800 and \$1500 (necessitating extreme effort at Easter), we must reckon on a probable deficit by Easter, 1925, of about \$3000.

This is excessive, but not wholly depressing, because the bulk of it (\$2500) has been spent for long-needed and more or less permanent repairs.

The financial campaign is still being conducted, and will be continued to "the last man." Thus far, pledges have been received from 238 persons, and the expected income from this source is \$6500. This expectation of receipts must be compared with the disbursements for the past two years, amounting to about \$12,000 a year.

The "Quota Account," including \$768 paid on the Japan Reconstruction Fund, and totalling nearly \$6000, is a gratifying evidence of St. Philip's wide interest.

Each organization shows a healthy condition and a good spirit. These "faithful few" have borne the burden and heat of the day and are doing valuable work.

NOW is the time for ALL OTHERS to come to their assistance and help "carry on."

We can hardly diminish our interest in extra-parochial affairs without shirking our obligations as members of a national church, but we MUST do more for St. Philip's Parish.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

COMMUNION ALMS

The undesignated offerings at the early Sunday, and the week-day celebrations of the Holy Communion are used for "Communion Alms," which serve the purpose of a Rector's Discretionary Fund.

RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1924	\$5.10
Offerings	267.86
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	\$272.96

DISBURSEMENTS

Alms	\$132.88
Missionary and Charitable	
Objects	50.80
Parochial Incidental Ex-	
penses	82.95
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	266.63
Balance on Hand	\$6.88

PAROCHIAL STATISTICS

The following statistics have been reported to the Bishop. For purposes of comparison, similar records for two years previous are here given.

	1922	1923	1924
Baptisms	13	13	8
Confirmations	36	1	11
Marriages	6	6	5
Burials	18	20	10
Communicants Rec'd by Transfer	10	17	20
Communicants Transferred	21	22	23
Number Active Communicants ..	387	374	373
Church School Enrollment	158	153	144

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WANTED—A Choir Mother. Urgent.
Apply to Miss Bement.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

FEBRUARY

Consecration.

"Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee."

1. Consecration of Choice.—Josh. 24: 14-25.
2. Consecration of Self.—St. Luke 2:22-32.
3. Consecration of Work.—Isa. 6:1-8.
4. Consecration through Baptism.—St. Matt. 3:13-17.
5. Consecration through Sacrifice.—St. Mark 8:34-38.
6. Consecration through Character.—Col. 3:12-17.
7. Consecration of Ambition.—St. Matt. 6:24-33.

O Lord of all souls, Who hast chosen and called me to serve Thee, all my trust is in Thee, for in Thee are the springs of my life. Abundantly give me of Thy blessed Spirit, without Whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, and use me as it shall please Thee for the glory of Thy name. Make my will patient, my conscience pure, my temper bright. Empty me of self, and fill me with the meekness of wisdom. Increase my faith, mellow my judgment, stir my zeal, enlarge my heart. Let my life enforce what my lips utter. Do Thou choose for me the work I do, and the place in which I do it; the success I win, and the harvest I reap. Preserve me from jealousy and impatience; from self-will and depression. Make me faithful unto death, and then give me the crown of life. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Meditation

"On His law doth he meditate day and night."

8. Delights of Meditation.—Psalm 1.
9. Fruits of Meditation.—St. Luke 4:14-32.
10. Power of Meditation.—St. Matt. 4:1-11.
11. Scope of Meditation.—Phil. 4:4-13.
12. Witness of Meditation.—St. John 5:32-47.

13. Need of Meditation.—I St. Tim. 4.
14. Comfort of Meditation.—Rom. 15: 1-13.

O God, Inspirer and Teacher of men, Who art the Truth Thou lovest, send out Thy light and illumine us. Let Thy Spirit overshadow us as we read and meditate upon Thy Word. Conform our thoughts to Thy Revelation. Give us a deep and clear knowledge of ourselves. Teach us to await in silence the voice of Thy Spirit within our hearts. Strengthen in us the aspiration towards noble and spacious thinking, and in Thy good time bring us to Thy holy hill, where lifted above the clouds of prejudice and the mists of passion, we shall think Thine own thoughts after Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Religious Power.

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee."

15. Power in God's Presence.—Ex. 33: 11-17.
16. Power through Renewal.—Isa. 40: 25-31.
17. Power through Loyalty.—St. John 15:1-8.
18. Power through Obedience.—St. John 14:15-27.
19. Power in Weakness.—II Cor. 12: 7-10.
20. Power through Prayer.—St. Luke 11:1-10.
21. Power through Faith.—St. John 6: 28-35.

O Lord our God, under the shadow of Thy wings let us hope. Thou wilt support us, both when little, and even to gray hairs. When our strength is of Thee, it is strength; but when our own, it is feebleness. We return unto Thee, O Lord, that from their weariness our souls may rise towards Thee, leaning on the things which Thou hast created, and passing on to Thyself, who hast wonderfully made them; for with Thee is refreshment and true strength. Amen.

Religion of Love.

"If God so loved us, we also ought to love one another."

22. God's Nature is Love.—St. Luke 15:11-32.
23. God's Purpose is Love.—Rom. 5.
24. God's Sympathetic Love.—St. Matt. 11:25-30.
25. Redemption the Result of Love.—St. John 3:1-16.
26. Forgiveness the Working of Love.—St. Mark 2:1-12.
27. Need of Expressing Love.—St. Luke 16:19-31.
28. Man's Relation to Man is Love.—St. Luke 10:25-37.

O God, we have known and believed the love that Thou hast for us. May we, by dwelling in love, dwell in Thee and Thou in us. May we learn to love Thee whom we have not seen, by loving our brethren whom we have seen. Teach us, O Heavenly Father, the love wherewith Thou hast loved us; fashion us, O blessed Lord, after Thine own example of love; shed abroad, O Thou Holy Spirit of Love, the love of God and man in our hearts. Amen.



CONFIRMATION

The service of Confirmation will take place at 10.30 A. M. on Sunday, March 15, and will be followed by the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Please note the time of service. It is arranged for that hour, in order that the Church School may be present for the service.

The Rector will be pleased to confer with any one who desires information about Confirmation and is not able to attend the regular instructions.

Confirmation is not an Episcopal peculiarity,—it is a catholic custom of sacramental character and apostolic practice.

Properly considered, it is the opening of the soul to receive the fulness of God through His Holy Spirit—the conformity of the human will by a public expression, to the will of God, which enables God's power, strength and fulness to enter into and operate through the person who is thus confirmed.

CHURCH CALENDAR

February

1. Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany.
2. The Presentation of Christ.
8. Septuagesima Sunday.
15. Sexagesima Sunday.
22. Quinquagesima Sunday.
24. St. Matthias' Day.
25. ASH WEDNESDAY.

March

1. First Sunday in Lent.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptisms.

- Jan. 1—Walter Carl Becker, Jr.
Lilah Harris Johnson.

Communicants Received

- Dec. 30—John H. Neill.
Emma Neill.
Jesse R. Keowen.
Martha N. Keowen, from
Church of the Atonement.

Burial

- Jan. 27—Emma L. MacNutt.



THE HOUSEWIFE'S PRAYER

Blanche M. Kelly.

Lady, who with tender ward
Didst keep the house of Christ the Lord,
Who didst set forth the bread and wine
Before the living Wheat and Vine,
Reverently didst make the bed
Whereon was laid the holy Head
That such a cruel billow prest
For our behoof, on Calvary's crest;
Be beside me while I go
About my labors to and fro.
Speed the wheel and speed the loom,
Guide the needle and the broom.
Make my bread rise sweet and light,
Make my cheese come foamy white,
Yellow may my butter be
As cowslips blowing on the lea.
Homely tho my task and small,
Be beside me at them all.
Then when I shall stand to face
Jesu in the judgment place
To me Thy gracious help afford
Who art the handmaid of the Lord.

(Literary Digest, Feb. 3, 1917.)

SAINT PHILIP'S CHURCH

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of December 31st, 1924
(Valuation of Property Not Included)

ASSETS

Cash	\$3,019.51
Petty Cash	10.00
Accounts Receivable	402.81

LIABILITIES

Missions (Balance Due)	\$1,493.35
Special Offerings	201.70
Endowment Fund	100.00
Coal Purchased (Balance)	386.25
Contract for Repairs to Organ (Balance)	*1,161.00
Contract for General Repairs to Church Building	1,066.19
Pension Fund—Reserve	233.08
Rectory Fund—Reserve	1,613.37
Deficit, January 1, 1923	\$595.09
Pew Rent Arrearages Written Off	184.63
Deficit for Year 1924, as per Report	3,497.90

\$4,277.62

Easter Offering, 1924, to Apply on Deficit 1923,
as per Report

1,454.50

Excess of Liabilities Over Assets

2,823.12

\$6,255.44

\$6,255.44

*Payable \$289.00 in cash, balance in twelve equal monthly installments, with interest on deferred payments.

Special Offerings Received and Disbursed by the Accounting Warden of
St. Philip's Church During the Year Ended December 31st

	1923	1924
For Missions	\$2,931.19	\$2,990.30
Bishop's Fund		29.01
Indian Work in South Dakota		1.00
St. John's Hospital, Arizona		1.00
Good Friday Collection	28.10	20.11
Japanese Reconstruction		*9.50
Episcopal Hospital	327.78	195.70
Christmas Funds	51.50	6.00
Woman's Auxiliary	416.45	248.53
Communion Alms, Early Celebrations, Sunday Mornings	207.25	266.63
Total	\$3,962.27	\$3,767.78

*In addition, \$768.00 was remitted direct to the Church House.

SAINT PHILIP'S CHURCH

Comparative Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the Year Ended
December 31st

RECEIPTS

	1923	1924
From Pledges	\$6,227.69	\$6,088.68
Plate Collections	832.47	827.08
In Lieu of Pew Rents	675.52	850.50
Church School	278.03	304.18
Miscellaneous Income	483.85	165.00
Income Endowment Fund	968.82	989.39
Special Offering, Easter, 1924	\$1,972.49	
Applied to Deficit of 1923	1,454.50	
For Assessments	409.42	517.99
For Pension Fund	256.95	551.71
For Rectory Fund	785.00	182.75
		638.25
	\$10,917.75	\$11,115.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries of Rector, Sexton and Substitutes in the Summer Months	\$5,400.00	\$5,380.00
Choir and Music	2,740.00	2,710.00
Chancel Laundry	125.00	100.00
Repairs to Church Building	170.83	347.33
Insurance Premiums	135.16	76.80
Electric Light and Power Service	241.36	262.62
Fuel for Heating	816.00	619.25
Telephone, Printed Matter, Publications and Other Miscellaneous Expenses	750.60	534.09
Church School Expenses	350.68	387.16
St. Philip's Record	191.25	171.75
Pension Fund Assessment	256.95	182.75
(Balance of the \$300.00 Paid Out of Reserves of Past Years.)		
Assessments—Episcopal Fund	177.86	218.36
Assessments—Convention Fund	111.31	192.25
Assessments—Sustentation Fund	120.25	141.10
Transferred to Rectory Fund Reserve	785.00	638.25
	\$12,372.25	\$11,961.71

Deficit Before Rectory Maintenance	\$1,454.50	\$846.18
Interest on Mortgage	\$300.00	\$300.00
Taxes and Water Rent	216.40	207.90
Repairs		167.67

Deduct Rentals Received	\$516.40	\$675.57
	540.00	540.00
Surplus	\$33.60	
Deficit		135.53

Total Deficit Before Extraordinary Expenses	\$1,420.90	\$981.71
Extraordinary Expenses:		
General Repairs to Church Building		1,066.19
Repairs to Church Organ		1,450.00
Total Deficit for Year	\$1,420.90	\$3,497.90

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES L. FILBERT,
Accounting Warden.

WOMEN'S GUILD

President

MRS. U. GRANT BEATH

Vice President

MRS. J. HAUSE ZEBLEY

Corresponding Secretary

MISS M. HARPER

Recording Secretary

MRS. G. W. WITTE

Treasurer

MISS M. BUSSOM

The annual meeting of the Women's Guild was held on Wednesday, January 14, with a full attendance.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. U. Grant Beath; Vice President, Mrs. J. H. Zebley; Treasurer, Miss M. E. Bussom; Recording Secretary, Mrs. G. W. Witte; Corresponding Secretary, Miss M. W. Harper.

We, the members of the Guild, are very sorry to lose Mrs. J. H. Zebley as our president. She has been in that office for four years and has always been so interested and worked so hard for the good of the Guild. It was Mrs. Zebley who originated the plan of the "Selling of the Year," and after that the sending out of Block Cards to the friends in the Parish. In all the years up to this our goal of \$1000 has been raised; this year we only have \$832, and yet we are going to pay \$1000 for improvements on the organ and provide new cottas for the choir, so the rest of the money is urgently needed.

MARTHA W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

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Annual Report, January 14, 1925

During the year 1924 eight regular meetings of the Guild have been held, with an average attendance of twenty-six members.

Much very necessary work has been accomplished and several successful social affairs have been given.

A new painting has been placed in the Chancel Window.

Screens provided for the Church School.

Chapel Altar painted to harmonize with Church.

Fifty new Hymnals presented to the Church.

One Hundred Dollars given for support of St. Philip's Record.

Time Clock installed for Electric Cross.

During an all-day meeting in the spring the Choir Vestments were put in good repair.

In February a very successful dinner and dance were given for the young people.

In May our Personal Effort Money was brought in and a splendid sum realized for the work of the Benevolent Committee. At this meeting a most interesting talk on Japan was given by a former member, and afterward refreshments were served.

Through the combined efforts of the Vestry and Guild a congregational dinner was given in May which was so successful that another was given in November.

In October the annual drive for funds was begun and the sum raised, \$832.00.

Interest in the Rummage Sales of the Church School and Mothers' Meeting was shown by donations.

The Benevolent Committee has given Coal, Clothing and Baskets to those in need.

The Visiting Committee have made many calls which brought in some new members and helped to keep up attendance at meetings.

Several All-Day Meetings were held to help with Sewing for the Supply Bureau of the Auxiliary. At these meetings the Hospitality Committee served Tea and Coffee for Luncheon, and after all business meetings Tea and Cakes were provided.

Our President's untiring efforts, with the co-operation of members of Guild and Parish have resulted in a prosperous year and a record of which we may be proud.

NETTIE M. WITTE,
Recording Secretary.

Women's Guild of St. Philip's Church

Treasurer's Annual Report.

RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand, January 9, 1924	\$962.24
Dues	63.00
Additional Blocks for 1923	67.50
Mothers' Meeting for Time Clock	25.00
Sales	16.68
Contribution	40.00
Personal Effort	176.40
Women's Auxiliary for Printing Postals ...	2.50
Block Plan, 1924 to Date	832.00
Interest on Account ..	17.04
	<hr/> \$2,202.36

DISBURSEMENTS

Electric Time Clock ..	\$25.00
Convocation Supper ..	59.10
Painting in Church ...	40.00
St. Philip's Record ...	100.00
Young Folks' Party ..	74.20
Hymnals	20.00
Screens, Church School	66.30
Repairing Sewing Machines	2.25
Findings for Choir Vestments	17.95
Benevolent Section ...	125.00
Carpenter Work	57.73
Cassock for Student ..	25.00
Gifts and Christmas Cards	31.15
Hospitality Section ...	8.53
Postals for Guild and Auxiliary	9.25
Christmas Baskets ...	35.00
Flowers	65.20
Renewal of Chancel Window	75.00
Expenses of Block Plan, 1924	29.10
	<hr/> 865.76
Balance on Hand, January 14, 1925	\$1,336.60

M. E. BUSSOM,
Treasurer.

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WHAT WILL YOU DO

The Vestry is publishing in this issue of the RECORD detailed statements of the finances of the Church, in the hope that every parishioner will not merely

glance over it, but devote time and thought to analyzing the figures, for they indicate a situation requiring thoughtful consideration upon the part of every person interested in the welfare of the Church: Namely, the quite apparent fact that St. Philip's is practically at a standstill from a material point of view, at least.

Attention is called to the fact that there was a deficit in 1923 of \$1,454.50 in receipts for maintenance of the corporation, while for 1924 the shortage will be \$3,611.57, yet the revenue received from pledges was only \$6,088.68 in 1924 as against \$6,227.69 the previous year. Several liberal contributors have removed from the parish during the last two years, and of the total amounts stated above, one-third was contributed each year by two or three people.

The business is conducted on the budget plan, and it will be noted that the items call for a total of \$8,100.00 for salaries of the Rector, Choir and Sexton, to say nothing about coal, light, repairs, insurance, printing, Church School, etc. Now, the pledges thus far received for the year 1925 total \$6,500.00, or \$1,600.00 less than the sum necessary to pay salaries only. What will you do? Think it over!

On the other hand, there was contributed in money and pledges for missions and similar activities outside the parish an amount equal to that given to conduct our own business. Now, that is very commendable. We believe in missions and in helping the other fellow, but not to the extent of leaving our own obligations unpaid in order to do so.

It will also be noted that \$2,516.19 of the \$3,611.57 deficit shown for last year was caused by the extraordinary repairs that had to be made to the organ and to the Church property, but that still leaves a shortage of \$1,095.38 in the amount required for operating expenses. A commercial or industrial corporation that would make such a showing year after year would soon be forced out of business, and it must be apparent to those who give any thought to the matter at all that St. Philip's Church Corporation cannot go on indefinitely doing business in this haphazard manner.

There is a lot of talk, and more or less criticism going on about this, that or the other thing, and we have frequently heard comment as to "what is the matter with the Vestry; why don't they do so and so?" Hence, the latter is now putting fairly and squarely up to every parishioner the question heading this article: "What will you do?"

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Miss Marguerite Bement
President

Mrs. C. J. Cutting
Vice President

Miss M. Wylie
Treasurer

Treasurer's Report

1924

RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand	\$14.18
Collections	\$248.43
Special Donations	150.00
Diocesan Committee	120.00
Colored Work Committee	3.00
Foreign Committee	18.00
Special, U. T. C.	4.09
Advance from Treasurer	10.00
	553.52
Total	\$567.80

DISBURSEMENTS

Diocesan Committee ...	\$236.00
Domestic Committee	86.00
Colored Work Committee..	15.00
Foreign Committee	50.00
Indian Hope Committee..	22.00
Supply Bureau	98.75
Church Per. Club	20.00
United Thank Offering..	4.09
Printing Postals	2.50
Payment of Advance ...	10.00
	\$544.34
Balance on Hand, Dec. 31, 1924	23.46
Total	\$567.80

BLANCHE S. COHO,

Treasurer.

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Annual Report

January, 1924, to December, 1924

During the past year St. Philip's Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council of the Church, has held eight meetings with an average attendance of twenty-two. While, owing to removal from the parish, a few active members have withdrawn, still, there have been added to our list a number of new ones, showing an encouraging increase in interest. Throughout the year our parish branch has been kept in close touch with the general mission work of the Church through the very faithful attendance and interesting reports from our delegates to the various committees at the Church House. Our interest has further been quickened by interesting letters and articles from the various fields of activity, by a talk from Mr. Ilung, of Anking, China, and a visit from Mrs. J. Alison Scott. A most inspiring Mission Study Class met during Lent, under the leadership of Miss West, the subject being "Japan." That such a study was not

in vain was very clearly shown in the response to the appeal on behalf of the Japanese Reconstruction Fund.

St. Philip's has been represented at the meetings of the West Philadelphia League of Church Women, and has been most active through its delegate on the Social Service Committee. With the help of the Women's Guild, the Auxiliary completed last spring its allotment of sewing for the Supply Bureau.

At the discretion of our delegates on the various committees, donations of money have been made where it was most needed.

A report of the work of the Women's Auxiliary would not be complete without a very grateful acknowledgment of the hearty co-operation of the Mothers' Meeting, ready at all times to do more than their share in this work for others.

As we look back on the year just ending, we can happily and hopefully report "Progress," with always our faces turned towards bigger responsibilities and larger accomplishment next year.

ELIZABETH C. BEATH,
Secretary.

QUOTA ACCOUNT

Contributions from various sources credited to St. Philip's Church for the year 1924, showing also the amounts credited to Quota, Priorities and Specials: Through Accounting Warden \$2,743.02 From Woman's Auxiliary:

Foreign Committee	67.00
Domestic Committee	51.00
Diocesan Committee	9.00
Colored Committee	21.00
Indian Hope Association ..	25.00
Special Appeal for Diocesan Institutions	280.25
Church School Advent Offering	19.81
Church School Service League	20.00
Bishop's Appeal for General Missionary Fund	73.00
Japan Reconstruction Fund ..	10.00
Sunday School Lenten Offering	600.00
*Remitted Direct	2,074.97
Total	\$5,994.05

Summary

Quota	\$4,215.00
Priorities	197.81
Specials	1,581.24

Total

* Includes Japan Reconstruction Fund, Welfare Federation, etc.

THE ALTAR GUILD

President

MISS MARGUERITE BEMENT

Secretary

MRS. M. S. ROBERTS

Treasurer

MISS HELEN WILLIAMS

The members of the Altar Guild are very anxious to have flowers contributed each Sunday for the Altar in Church, and also for the Chapel Altar.

The cost of flowers during the winter is so much higher than formerly, therefore it would be greatly appreciated if the present donors would increase, if only a little, the sums formerly given.

It is generally found more convenient for the Altar Guild to purchase the flowers, but if the donors prefer to provide flowers instead of money, they are asked to notify the Head of the month in which their memorial Sunday occurs.

M. S. ROBERTS, Secretary.

The following schedule of Memorial Sundays, with names of the Heads of the Months will be found helpful for reference:

January.

Head, Mrs. B. F. Baird.
1st Sunday—Mrs. H. A. Stevens.
2nd Sunday—Mrs. T. B. Starling.
3rd Sunday—
4th Sunday—Mrs. M. T. Ringer.

February.

Head, Mrs. M. S. Roberts.
1st Sunday—Miss Mabel Delany.
2nd Sunday—Mrs. W. B. Rile.
3rd Sunday—
4th Sunday—Mrs. E. H. Ferree.

March.

Head, Miss A. M. Christman
1st Sunday—Mrs. E. H. Williamson.
2nd Sunday—Mrs. T. B. Starling.
3rd Sunday—Mrs. C. F. Sackett.
4th Sunday—Miss A. M. Christman.
5th Sunday—

April.

Head, Miss Helen Williams.
1st Sunday (Palm)—Miss Williams.
Easter Day—Miss E. Goheen.
3rd Sunday—Miss Williams.
4th Sunday—Mrs. B. S. Baird.

May.

Head, Miss H. E. Blakiston.
1st Sunday—
2nd Sunday—Mr. C. M. Glackens.
3rd Sunday—Miss L. G. Conrad.
4th Sunday—
5th Sunday (Whitsunday)—

June.

Head, Miss M. Bement.
1st Sunday (Trinity)—Miss Delany.
2nd Sunday—Mrs. M. T. Ringer.
3rd Sunday—Miss M. Bement.
4th Sunday—Mrs. W. P. Bement.

July.

Head, Mrs. B. F. Baird.
1st Sunday—Mrs. J. H. Zebley.
2nd Sunday—
3rd Sunday—
4th Sunday—

August.

Head, Mrs. B. F. Baird.
1st Sunday—Mrs. B. F. Baird.
2nd Sunday—
3rd Sunday—
4th Sunday—
5th Sunday—Miss H. Williams.

September.

Head, Miss A. M. Christman.
1st Sunday—Mrs. A. E. Vandervoerde.
2nd Sunday—Mrs. M. T. Ringer.
3rd Sunday—Rev. F. E. Seymour.
4th Sunday—Mrs. G. W. Caldwell.

October.

Head, Miss Helen Williams.
1st Sunday—Miss H. Williams.
2nd Sunday—Miss M. Wylie.
3rd Sunday—
4th Sunday—

November.

Head, Miss H. E. Blakiston.
1st Sunday (All Saints' Day)—
In Memoriam.
2nd Sunday—Mrs. E. T. Walker.
3rd Sunday—Miss E. F. Sachse.
4th Sunday—Mrs. J. A. Aikens, Jr.
Thanksgiving Day—Mrs. W. B. Rulon.
5th Sunday—Mrs. John Loman.

December.

Head, Miss M. Bement.
1st Sunday—Mr. Robert Wark.
2nd Sunday—Mrs. W. P. Bement.
3rd Sunday—Miss M. Bement.
4th Sunday—
Christmas Day.

Financial Report, Altar Guild.

RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1924	\$74.36
Appropriation for Laundry	100.00
Altar Flowers	84.00
Dues	15.00
For Altar Hymnals ...	1.00
Mothers' Meeting, for Chapel	38.00
For Candles	7.00
Easter Decorations ...	56.75
Christmas Decorations	45.75
Refund on Florist's Bill	1.00
	\$422.86



DISBURSEMENTS

Laundry	\$85.33
Altar Flowers	91.40
Memorial Hymnals ...	21.60
Gold Plating Chalices .	20.00
Veils for Chapel Cross	10.13
Candles	2.50
Easter Decorations and Expenses	67.00
Christmas Greens and Expenses	51.25
	351.21

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1925	\$71.65
	\$422.86

Balance Includes:	
Reserve for Laundry	\$14.67
Candles	4.50
Book Rest (Chapel)	30.00
	\$49.17

HELEN WILLIAMS,
Treasurer.



MOTHERS' MEETING

In Charge of Miss M. L. B. Ashburner.

The Christmas entertainment of the Mothers' Meeting was held Tuesday evening, December 30. Quite a number of people were present.

The Christmas tree, lighted by electricity, was beautiful. Poinsettias, carnations, asparagus fern and red candles made the room most attractive. Carols were sung, prayers said and Mr. Seymour gave a helpful talk.

Mrs. John T. Boyd, attired in a bonnet of civil war time, mitts and a shawl, read an old New Year's Scotch dialogue. Miss Jane Hill gave two piano selections.

Miss Wiley told how Christmas was spent in Germany, the Germany of long ago. Mr. George Claghorn gave a vocal selection. Mr. and Mrs. Claghorn rendered several piano and mandolin compositions, accompanied by the tambourine, and Mrs. Claghorn read parts of an extract from "A Christmas Carol," by Charles Dickens.

Ice cream and cakes were served. Each person was presented with a calendar, a box of candy and a card. The usual handkerchiefs were given to the young members.

Miss Ashburner received a beautiful bowl full of Christmas decorations, with a red candle in the centre, while each one of her helpers was given a decorated candle and candlestick. These gifts were from the members of the meeting and were much appreciated. All pronounced the evening a great success.

Many thanks to kind friends who are always ready to lend a helping hand. Christmas cards were sent by Mrs. John Macgill to the Mothers' Meeting. She said many of them had taken so much interest in the electric cross. Thanks to her for remembering them.

S. W. B.

Note:—This is a belated account of the Christmas celebration of the Mothers' Meeting, owing to the fact that the January number of St. Philip's Record was issued before the entertainment had taken place.



IT'S A GREAT LIFE

A Texas paper comments as follows: "The preacher has a great time. If his hair is gray, he is old. If he is a young man, he hasn't had experience. If he has ten children, he has too many. If he has none, he isn't setting a good example. If his wife sings in the choir, she is presuming; if she doesn't, she isn't interested in her husband's work. If the preacher reads from notes, he is a bore; if he speaks extemporaneously, he isn't deep enough. If he stays at home in his study, he doesn't mix enough with the people; if he is seen around the streets, he ought to be at home getting up a good sermon. If he calls on some poor family, he is playing to the grandstand; if he calls at the home of the wealthy, he is an aristocrat.

"Whatever he does, some one could have told him to do better."—The Churchman.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Financial Report, 1924.

From funds received through the Church School, disbursements have been made as follows:

In the Parish:	
For Parish Support ...	\$304.08
Ror Rebuilding Fund .	43.60
Incidental Expenses of School	72.33
Summer School Scholarships	50.00
Total	\$470.01

In the Community:	
College Settlement ...	\$10.00
Western Temporary Home	15.00
Phila. S. S. Assn.	5.00
Total	30.00

In the Diocese:	
Sacrifice Week	\$12.46
St. Monica's Church ..	25.00
St. Michael and All Angels	10.00
House of Rest	10.00
Episcopal Hospital ...	3.34
Phila. Divinity School	40.00
Total	100.70

In the Nation:	
Lenten Offering	\$600.00
District of Salina, Kan.	20.00
Bishop Tuttle Memorial Fund	12.08
Total	632.08

In the World:	
Ninth Crusade	\$48.10
Near East Relief	51.71
Rel. of German Children	10.00
French Orphan	5.30
Birthday Thank Offering (Liberia)	9.63
Total	124.74

Total Disbursements	\$1,410.50
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Balance on Hand:	
Missions	\$12.08
French Orphan	65.30
Japan Reconstruction	14.56
Undesignated	51.73

In addition to these gifts, donations of groceries were made at Thanksgiving time to the Door of Blessing; Christmas gifts were sent to St. Mark's Mission, Atlanta, Ga.; Stockings to Diocesan Institutions; Miscellaneous gifts to the Diocesan Group Box for Colored Missions in the South; Toys to the House of Industry and Books for the Hospital for Tuberculosis Patients in Chestnut Hill.

BOY SCOUT CHURCH SERVICE

The evening service on February 8, 1924, will be conducted for our Scout Troop. The Troop will attend in a body and all communicants of the Church are invited to bring their friends to Church that evening.

Troop 241 has been in the Church a long time and they are deserving of the support of every member. By attending this service you will show that they have your moral support which will go a long way towards heartening the Scoutmaster.

Come out, everybody, and fill the Church. Show the boys that it is not only Scouts that try to live up to the twelfth Scout law: "A Scout is Reverent."

FRANKLIN T. FIELD, JR.,
Chairman, Troop Committee.



LINCOLN AND FAILURE

By Bishop Johnson.

When Abraham Lincoln was a young man he ran for the Legislature in Illinois, and was badly swamped, as related by the Great Western Magazine.

He next entered business, failed, and spent seventeen years of his life paying up the debts of a worthless partner.

He was in love with a beautiful young woman to whom he became engaged—then she died.

Entering politics again, he ran for Congress and was badly defeated. He then tried to get an appointment to the United States land office, but failed.

He became a candidate for the United States Senate, and was badly defeated.

In 1856 he became a candidate for the Vice Presidency and was once more defeated.

In 1858 he was defeated by Douglas.

One failure after another—bad failures—great setbacks. In the face of all this he eventually became one of the greatest men of America, whose memory is loved and honored throughout the world.

When you contemplate the effect of a series of setbacks like this, doesn't it make you feel kind of small to become discouraged just because you think you are having a hard time in life?

Success frequently grows out of repeated failures.

COMMUNITY MISSION STUDY CLASS

The Place—St. Mary's, Locust Street below Fortieth.

The Time—8 P. M., Tuesday.

Leader—Rev. N. B. Groton.

Subject—China.

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GOD ANSWERS PRAYERS

I know not by what method rare
But this I know, God answers prayer.
I know that He has given His word
Which tells me prayer is always heard
And will be answered soon or late,
And so I pray and calmly wait.

I know not if the blessing sought
Will come in just the way I thought,
But leave my prayer with Him alone
Whose will is wiser than my own,
Assured that He will grant my quest
Or send some answer far more blest.

—Anon.

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"The Church which our Lord founded
is a teaching Church, which has to make
disciples—not a popular Church, which
has to attract patrons."—Fr. Bull.

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PARISH WELFARE

What is the meaning of Church membership? To many persons it is primarily a matter of hearing sermons. Preaching is of paramount importance. Others seek the consolation and inspiration which comes from communing with God in worship. Others think of their Church membership in terms of activity in various parochial societies. Service is their favorite word. Others are more concerned about their faith. Church membership means orthodoxy. Still others put the emphasis upon their pastoral relations with the minister. To them the pastoral work makes its strongest appeal.

All of these conceptions of Church membership are of supreme importance, preaching, worship, work, faith and pas-

toral care. They are all essential elements in the make-up of a Church member. They suggest certain definite lines along which we seek for the co-operation of the faithful. Hearers help in the preaching of sermons in more ways than they suppose. Their lives point the moral and their words inspire much that comes from the pulpit. Worshippers help other worshippers by their presence and prayers. Our faith adds to the faith of others. Our work for the Kingdom is the expression of our faith. Our friendly interest in the Christian welfare of others is real pastoral care whether we are ministers or laymen.

The loyal members of a parish strive to co-operate in all these ways. But they are able to make a distinct contribution to the Rector's pastoral work. They are in a position to put him in touch with conditions with which he will be uninformed otherwise. It is impossible for him unaided to keep in constant contact with all of his people. Rectors are not gifted with mysterious psychic powers which enable them to keep track of all the needs of their people. Unless the clergy are informed of the real needs of the people their pastoral work will suffer. Many are the ways in which the people can help the pastor. There are candidates for Baptism and Confirmation, children who would be benefited by the Church School, illnesses and troubles, the coming and going of parishioners, words of consolation and encouragement to be spoken, Christian friendliness to be shown—many and varied are the opportunities for the exercises of the pastoral office of the Rector.

The Rector believes in visiting his people with a definite purpose in mind. Purposeless calling is futile. He enjoys social calls as much as any other normal person. It is a privilege to go to the homes of his people and to learn to know them there. He is delighted when the members of his parish call upon him. He likes to listen, and, insofar as he can, counsel and help. He wishes he might not be left in ignorance of any situation which his efforts may help.

C. E. T.

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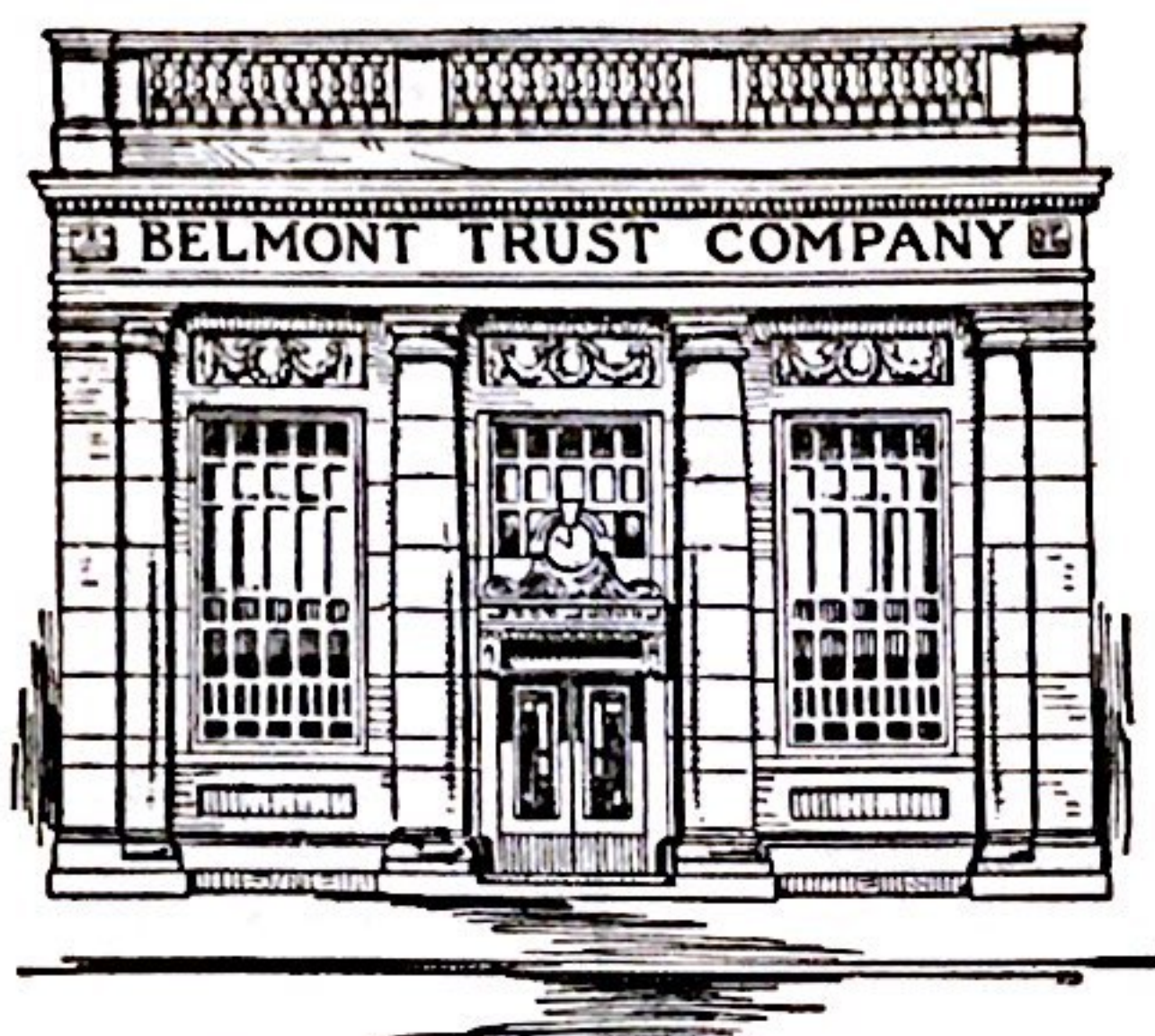
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Rector:

Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

SUNDAYS IN LENT

- 7.30 A. M.—Holy Communion.
- 9.45 A. M.—Church School.
- 11.00 A. M.—Holy Communion (March 1, 15, 29).
Morning Prayer (March 8, 22, April 5).
- 7.45 P. M.—Evening Service.

WEEKDAYS IN LENT

Tuesdays

- 7.30 A. M.—Holy Communion.

Wednesdays

- 7.45 P. M.—Mission Study Class.

Thursdays

- 9.30 A. M.—Holy Communion.

Fridays

- 4.30 P. M.—Children's Service.

STANDING NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.
Prompt notices should be given of change of address.

The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for Baptisms Marriages or Burials.

The church is supported by voluntary contributions. Each worshiper is asked to use Duplex Envelopes, to be obtained from the Accounting Warden, Mr. Chas. L. Filbert

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PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

The February "St. Philip's Record" recorded the financial conditions of the Parish and its various societies.

This Lenten issue is planned chiefly as a devotional number. It contains carefully prepared and selected articles, furnishing information and food for contemplation. I hope you will all "read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" its contents.

Few extra services have been planned this Lent. My desire is that, having fewer services during the week, there may be larger congregations on Sundays. Let this be the objective of the Parish: "Everyone at Church on Sundays, with penitent heart and receptive mind."

The notices of parochial affairs mentioned herein deserve close attention and hearty co-operation.

The Parish Dinner on March 24 is by no means a social event. It will really be a business meeting of St. Philip's Corporation, and all interested in the Parish are asked to come in a mood to do business.

The Mission Study Class on Wednesday evenings will be worthy of a large attendance of men and women.

Lent is a season for "such a measure of abstinence as is more especially suited to extraordinary acts and exercises of devotion." Loyal Church people will govern themselves accordingly, by prayer, study, almsgiving and by every other appointed means to fulfil the will of God, to nurture their souls, and to hasten the coming of the kingdom.

Faithfully your friend and rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

CHURCH CALENDAR

March

1. First Sunday in Lent.
- 4, 6, 7. Ember Days.
8. Second Sunday in Lent.
15. Third Sunday in Lent.
22. Fourth Sunday in Lent.
25. Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
29. Fifth (Passion) Sunday in Lent.

April

5. Sunday next before Easter (Palm Sunday).

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PARISH REGISTER

Communicant Received

February 12.—William A. Highley, from
St. Paul's Church, Camden, N. J.

Burials

February 3.—Walter Snyder.
February 9.—Elizabeth F. Fullerton.
February 16.—Estelle Jeffrey Leh.

"LO! I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS"

Wide fields of corn along the valleys
spread;

The rain and dews mature the swelling
vine;

I see the Lord is multiplying bread;

I see Him turning water into wine;

I see Him working all the works divine
He wrought when Salemward His steps
were led;

The selfsame miracles around Him
shine;

He feeds the famished; He revives the
dead;

He pours the flood of light on darkened
eyes;

He chases tears, disease, fiends away;

His throne is raised upon these orient
skies;

His footstool is the pave whereon we
pray.

Ah, tell me not of Christ in Paradise,
For He is all around us here today.

—John Charles Earle, from Oxford Book.

CONGREGATIONAL DINNER

A Congregational Dinner will be held in the Parish House, St. Philip's Church, West Philadelphia, on the evening of Tuesday, March 24, 1925, at 6 o'clock. The Vestry is desirous of having every parishioner attend this dinner who can possibly do so. The charge will be one dollar (\$1.00) per person and it is important your acceptance be received promptly in order that proper provision may be made. F. J. Pryor, Jr., 447 South Fifty-first street.



WHAT WILL YOU DO?

As parishioners we no doubt were greatly shocked to learn from the published statements in the February issue of the Record that our deficit for the year 1924 was \$3497.90.

That this condition occurred, after our splendid effort at Easter in which \$1972.49 was given in order to place us on a firmer financial basis, should not discourage us, but give greater impetus to our future efforts.

The Accounting Warden's report having been prepared to show,

First, Insufficiency of revenue to meet the actual expenses of the church, for parish activities, by \$981.71,

Second—Insufficiency of revenue to provide adequate funds to maintain the buildings and contents in such condition for parish activities, that extraordinary repairs should not require \$2516.19,

is only two ways of stating one fact—insufficiency of revenue.

It is certainly known to all that our receipts of income arise from two sources only—Endowment Fund and Membership contributions by whatever name designated.

It will be noted that the Endowment Fund Income has been stated before the Membership contributions, but this is done merely for the purpose of drawing attention to a very remote possibility, and that is, if all activities at St. Philip's ceased, and remained dormant, the fiscal officer of the corporation would still be receiving an amount in excess of the expense necessary to protect the property.

Now as the Endowment Fund Income approximates only about 7 per cent. of the current expenses the remaining 93 per cent. must be met by contributions from the members.

We should endeavor to bring our best thoughts to bear upon this feature in order that we may assist in the solution of that which appears to be of constant occurrence, i. e., insufficiency of income.

For the personal survey to be made by each as requested in the former article, it may not be out of place to call to remembrance the enviable position of our property—

Its location at the junction of two main thoroughfares,

Its constant use at that point for 40 years,

Its freedom from any encumbrance.

To secure this position, maintain it and endow it was the work of those who have gone before. Are we to falter?

Every society and activity in the parish is desirous of obtaining new members and of promoting a fraternal fellowship among all members, so that the work may be carried forward with greater zeal.

Think hard and think consistently; be at the get-together meeting, March 24, 1925, ready to express your thoughts and to state what you will do.

Confirmation.

Bishop Beecher, of western Nebraska, will visit this Parish for Confirmation on March 15.

Please note time of service, 10.30 A. M., followed by Holy Communion.

HOLY BAPTISM

"The Minister of every Parish shall often admonish the People that they defer not the Baptism of their children longer than the first or second Sunday next after their birth, or other Holy Day falling between, unless upon a great and reasonable cause." P. B. p. 251.

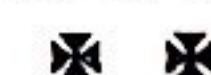
Easter Even is a traditional time for Holy Baptism. The Sacrament will be administered at 4.30 P. M. April 11.

The Rector will be glad to know of infants or adults who desire to be baptized at that time.



Cantata.

On the Wednesday in Holy Week, April 5, at 8 P. M., the choir will sing the cantata, "From Olivet to Calvary."



SPECIAL PREACHER

The Rev. P. L. Tsen, of Nanling, China, was the preacher on the morning of February 22. Mr. Tsen, before coming to America, was the secretary of the Missionary Society of the Holy Catholic Church of China. He gave a most interesting description of the scope and influence of the young national church which is recognizing its obligations to spread the blessings which it has received to other sections of China.



THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Following the routine business on February 23, Miss Wright, a united thank offering worker of Nenana, Alaska, addressed the meeting, giving a delightful account of conditions and experiences in the far North.



THE WOMEN'S GUILD

Thanks to the "all-day" sewing meetings undertaken by the Guild, all the work furnished by the Supply Bureau to the Woman's Auxiliary, has been finished.

An interesting social was given by the Guild on the afternoon of Shrove Tuesday, when the women of the Parish were invited to two short plays, entitled "Nevertheless" and "Fourteen," and a

reading, in costume, "Mary Carey," presented by the Elizabeth Lavendar Schreiner School of Dramatic Art.

After the play, tea was served to the guests who were enabled to meet members of the Parish informally.

This was one of the most successful events given in the Parish in many years.



MISSION STUDY

Be sure to attend the class on Wednesday evenings in Lent. The subject will be "China." The leader will be Mrs. H. K. Dillard, Jr.

If you know much about China come and help in the discussion.

If you know little about it come and learn.

By virtue of her population and natural resources China has great possibilities of future world leadership. It is the responsibility of Christian nations to guide our Oriental brothers in the formative period of their awakened consciousness, by showing, as well as teaching, them the principles of Christ.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Mothers' Meeting will hold a Rummage Sale on March 31. Articles suitable for the sale are requested. Please send them to the Parish House marked Mothers' Meeting. Bulky articles will be called for if addresses are furnished. Consult Miss Ashburner or Mrs. W. H. Boyd.



THE CHURCH SCHOOL

At the closing service of the Church School sessions on the Sundays in Lent, the brief address will deal with the posters issued by the National Council, the theme being "With the Cross Around the World."

The children's services on Fridays at 4.30 will be as usual missionary in character, the subject being "Changing China." The talks will be based on the stereopticon pictures.

LENTEN OFFERING

Earnest efforts will be made to raise at least \$600 for our missionary offering. The amounts raised in previous years are:

1917	.....	\$253.39
1918	.....	319.79
1919	.....	246.10
1920	.....	346.40
1921	.....	406.70
1922	.....	521.65
1923	.....	650.00
1924	.....	600.00

The co-operation of the Parish in the efforts of the school are urgently solicited.

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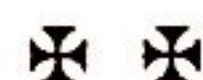
The Accounting Warden would be greatly assisted in the tedious details of his work if YOU would be careful.

1.—To mark on each envelope used, the amount to be credited to each side. If this is not done, and you do not put the exact amount in each pocket, reference has to be made to the pledge record, which takes considerable time, and should be unnecessary.

2.—To place in the envelope the amount reported. (Strange things sometimes, somehow appear in Church offerings! Quite inadvertently, of course, a nickle may be mistaken for a quarter, a P. R. T. token for a dime, etc. It complicates the counting if envelope-record, remittance and pledge do not agree.

3.—If you do not remit each week, it is better to place the total amount due in the envelope for the latest date, mark on each side the total amount for the number of Sundays covered by the remittance and then destroy the unused envelopes. For instance: If you should be unfortunately enough as to be away from Church for four Sundays, and suppose you pledge twenty-five cents in each side each week, place a dollar bill in each pocket of the envelope for the last Sunday. It saves you the trouble of getting eight quarters, and the Accounting Warden, of counting them.

4.—DO NOT LET YOUR ENVELOPES GET TOO FAR BEHIND. It is easier to KEEP them up than to MAKE them up.



"ENTER INTO THY CLOSET AND SHUT THE DOOR"

As you perhaps already realize, this does not mean (chiefly) the material room. I believe that our Lord meant the inner room of the spirit, shutting out the things of the world, material, sensual thoughts, and entering into the secret place of the Most High, where you and I can commune with God. The habit of silent prayer and quiet communion with God is one which has been most grievously neglected. Even when Christians meet together for public worship, there ought to be periods of silent prayer lasting long enough for God to speak to the soul; for often we are so busy talking to God, that we do not give God an opportunity to speak to us. Surely the most important part of prayer is to let God speak to us, to commune with Him and allow Him the opportunity to tell us what He desires us to do and to know.

Surely, if God ever spoke to man, He will speak to us today, if we give Him the opportunity.

God Never Changes.—The things which He did yesterday, He will do today, if you and I repeat the conditions under which the thing was done; if God ever spoke to Isaiah and Jeremiah and the other prophets, God will speak to us, if we fulfill the conditions—if we provide Him with that consecrated spirit which Isaiah and Jeremiah gave to Him. So let us shut the door and enter into the quiet chambers of the soul. Let us take time daily for quietness, for silence—I tell you there is nothing of greater practical value, particularly for busy, hard-working people, than ten or fifteen minutes at midday. All through the morning, and up to the midday, you are rushing from one thing to another, so that by midday your whole nervous system demands rest.

The best kind of rest is to lift the thoughts away from material things, from all the little frets and worries and cares, and to enter into communion with God, to place all those thoughts before God, just for a few minutes: and then enter into absolute silence and quietness, where God can speak to you, and refresh your soul. "In quietness and confidence shall be your strength." "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." I tell you that over and over again women would be spared the nervous diseases from which they suffer if they would only obey such a simple, practical rule as this. You tell me, perhaps, that you are too busy; but I tell you, the harder you have to work, and the busier you are, the more carefully you ought to keep this rule; and if you tell me that you cannot do it, I am compelled to disagree with you. Everyone of us can, with God's help, do the thing which makes him better in body and soul, and if you ask God to show you the way, He will "make" it. If it be for ten minutes, or even for five minutes—rest—deliberately detaching the mind from all the little worries and cares; linking the soul up in communion with God, you will thus provide Him an opportunity of communion with you, of giving you His strength, and His health, and His life. I know case after case of nervous trouble which has been cured by just observing this rule. Try it. The busier you are, the more necessary it is for you. You will save time and you will do better work.

T. E. ROWE.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

March

Humility.

1. Unfitness, Isa. 6:1-8.
 2. Sin, St. Lu. 5:1-11.
 3. Unworthiness, St. Lu. 7:2-10.
 4. Conversion, 1 St. Tim. 1:12-17.
 5. Self-emptying, Phil. 2:5-11.
 6. Self-discipline, 1 Cor. 9:23-27.
 7. Dependence on God, St. Lu. 4:1-13.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, give us grace to fix our eyes during this season on Thy most pure and holy life, that we may learn our own impurity and sin, and seek in all humility to be conformed to Thy will and be made like unto Thee, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost, we adore as one God, world without end. Amen.

Forgiveness.

8. Upon Confession, II Sam. 12:1-15.
9. Without limit, St. Matt. 18:21-35.
10. In prayer, St. Matt. 6:5-15.
11. In consideration, St. Matt. 7:1-5.
12. In a forgiving spirit, St. Matt. 5:21-26.
13. Without respect of persons, St. Matt. 5:43-48.
14. As a means of health, St. Matt. 2:1-12.

Send Thy peace into my heart, O Lord, that I may always be contented with Thy mercies, and confident of Thy protection that, having forgiven others as Thou dost forgive me, I may go to my rest in perfect trust; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Guidance.

15. By the Holy Spirit, St. Jn. 14:25-27.
16. By God's Presence, Psal. 27.
17. By God's Protection, Psal. 5:1-8.
18. By God's Law, Psal. 119:105-112.
19. In tribulation, Heb. 12:1-13.
20. In danger, St. Matt. 14:22-33.
21. By the Good Shepherd, Psal. 23.

We know, O Lord, the weakness of ourselves, and how ready we are to fall from Thee: Suffer not therefore Satan to show his power upon us, for we are not able to withstand his assaults alone. Arm us, O Lord, always with Thy grace, and guide us with Thy Holy Spirit in all kinds of temptations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Man's Need and God's Bounty.

22. Feeding the Hungry, St. Mark 6:32-44.
23. The Water of Life, St. Jn. 4:1-15.
24. The Bread of Life, St. Jn. 6:47-59.
25. The Life from Heaven (Annunciation), St. Jn. 1:1-14.
26. The Soul's Food, St. Lu. 22:7-30.
27. The Bounties of God, Psal. 65.
28. The Thirst for God, Psal. 42.

Almighty God, Who dost promise to them that hunger and thirst after righteousness that they shall be filled: Grant that Thy servants may be fed with the True Bread of Life, that through His strength they may walk in the Way that leadeth unto everlasting life, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God's Work and Man's Will.

29. The Work of God, Isa. 61.
30. Fellow-workers with Christ, St. Mark 3:31-35.
31. Working through Innocence, St. Mark 9:33-37.

April.

1. Working through Surrender, St. Matt. 19:27-30.
2. Working through Sacrifice, St. Lu. 14:25-35.
3. Working through Suffering, II Cor. 6:1-10.
4. The Will of God, Heb. 10:5-25.

O God, Who hast commanded us to be perfect, as Thou our Father in heaven art perfect; put into our hearts, we pray Thee, a continual desire to obey Thy holy will. Teach us day by day what Thou wouldst have us do, and give us grace and power to fulfil the same. May we never from love of ease decline the path which Thou pointed out, nor for fear of shame, turn away from it; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. Romans 8:2.

RULES FOR HOLY COMMUNION

The following suggestions will be found helpful, especially by those newly confirmed:

Try to make some real preparation at home, as well as in Church, before receiving.

Be sure to come to Holy Communion regularly—at least monthly, and also on Christmas Day, Easter Day and Whitsunday.

Try to attend Holy Communion at the early hour. This may entail some sacrifice, but will result in peculiar blessing.

Always remove gloves before approaching the Altar.

When you come forward to receive Holy Communion, be careful not to crowd. Try also to let members of families kneel side by side. It often means much to them. Remember that consideration for others is nowhere so fitting as at the Lord's Table.

When you come to the Altar Rail, try to kneel as near and as erect as possible.

Receive the Bread in the right hand—held open flat across the left hand. Raise both hands to the lips.

Be sure to grasp the Chalice firmly and guide it to your lips. The Priest usually holds it, too, but needs your help. The hats of women who are kneeling sometimes hide their faces.

Pray while kneeling at the Altar Rail. Strive fully to realize what the service means. Pray especially for greater love to God and for your neighbor. Offer a prayer of thanksgiving, too.

When you return to your seat, continue your prayers and thanksgiving. Learn to use the rich treasury of devotion in Prayer Book and Hymnal.

Never leave the Church before the Benediction.

In case one does not arrive in time to say the General Confession, it is better to postpone his communion until another occasion, as Confession is an essential part of one's preparation for the proper reception of the Sacrament.

AIDS TO WORSHIP

(For private devotions in Church as time permits.)

Before Service.

Almighty God, incline my heart to seriousness and my mind to attention, while I join the congregation in prayers and praises, that may be acceptable to Thy Divine Majesty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Or P. B. p. 324, margin.

In Giving Alms, say:

Blessed be Thou, O Lord God our Father, for all that is in heaven and in earth is Thine. All things come of Thee, and of Thine own have we given Thee.

At the Oblation of the Elements, say:

In the spirit of humility, and with contrite hearts, may we be accepted of Thee, O Lord; and may our offering be pleasing in Thy sight.

Before Service of Communion, say:

Collect for second Sunday after Easter. Prayer, top of page 548 in P. B., "Grant, O Lord."

Before the Prayer of Consecration

Psalm 116:11-16, and
Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest.

After the Prayer of Consecration, say:

Hymn 238 or 333.
O most Gracious Father, accept this Pure and Holy Sacrifice, at the hands of Thy Priest, in union with that All-Holy Sacrifice, which Thy beloved Son offered unto Thee, for me, for . . . (here think of special cases), and for all for whom He vouchsafed to die.

Psalm 26 and 43.

Before communicating think over your preparation and the particular blessings you seek, and say:

Grant me, O Lord, Holy Father, worthily to partake of the Body and Blood of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, that I may thereby receive remission of all my sins, and be filled with the Holy Ghost, and possess Thy peace.

And on approaching the Altar, say:

Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

On leaving the Altar, say:

Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift.

When kneeling again in your seat, say the verses in the Te Deum, from Thou art the King of Glory . . . to And we worship Thy Name, and:

Lord, may this Communion cleanse us from sin, and make us partakers of Thy heavenly blessings.

Psalm 103:1-4.

After the Benediction, say:

Read hymns 322, 326, 328, 339, St. John 1:1-14 (P. B. p. 59), or Psalms 23, 42, 84 (as time permits).

Final Prayer (before leaving Church).

O God, mercifully accept these my unworthy prayers and praises, which I have offered unto Thy Divine Majesty; whatsoever I have offered aright, graciously regard; wherein I have been negligent, mercifully pardon; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



A LENTEN PRAYER

We beseech Thee, our most gracious God, preserve us from the care of this life, lest we should be too much entangled therein; also from the many necessities of the body, lest we should be ensnared by pleasure; and from whatsoever is an obstacle to the soul, lest, being broken with troubles, we should be overthrown. Give us strength to resist, patience to endure, and constancy to persevere; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.—Thomas à Kempis.



"Ministers shall diligently, from time to time, exhort their parishioners to the often receiving of the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ when it shall be publicly administered in the church." P. B. p. 292.



Have you ever used the "Form of Prayer to be used in Families" (P. B. p. 322 f.) either as family or private devotions? Try it, this Lent.



I have been crucified with Christ; yet I live; and yet no longer I, but Christ liveth in me. Galatians 2:20. (R. V.)

PRAYER BOOK SUFFICIENCY

By the Rev. W. M. Bours.

If the offices in the Book of Common Prayer were invariably read with the same interpretative power that Shakespeare's lines have been recited by Booth or Irving, the benefits accruing from "the Service of the Church" would be greatly enhanced. By a recital of the Lord's Prayer in the spell of its "large, divine and comfortable words," it is said that, even on a festive occasion, Edgar Allan Poe moved his auditors to tears. The writer recalls a "quiet day," at which Bishop A. C. A. Hall read the Lesson. A masterful act of reverence, that reading was a very delivery of the divine message.

The Book of Common Prayer, itself an exposition of Holy Writ, is a marvelous spiritual dynamic. However much revision of text and greater discretion in use may be needed to make that ancient model of devotion more adaptable to modern purposes, the lineaments of Christ engraven on its pages need immeasurably more to be disclosed by expressive elocution. The Order for the Burial of the Dead is but an echo of the Master's compassionately healing words: "Weep not."

There is nothing of value in the "pharmacopoeia" of any of the so-called healing cults that is not contained in the Book of Common Prayer, moreover therein set forth in true Christian perspective. For instance, the opening Sentences of Scripture both for morning and for evening prayer, wider in their application to human needs than their use as initial tonic phrases in public worship, promulgate great curative principles, as does also the Hymn, Veni, Creator Spiritus. Because its contents embody a divine prescription for human wholeness, the Prayer Book—in English use nearing four centuries—is destined to outlive all merely human philosophies of salvation. Furthermore, the Prayer Book's Catholic lineage makes it a contemporary of the Christian era.

A thoroughgoing study of the physical sciences and of anthropology, in the spirit of the Benedicite, leads to a cure for many "religious" foibles. As ascribing preservation of health to Christian living,

two recent books by Dr. James J. Walsh, scientist, physician, literate—Religion and Health and Health Through Will Power—should be strongly recommended. Dr. Walsh says: "Wherever there has been a revival of religious life it has been accompanied by a more abundant sense of well-being in soul and in body."

Daily conduct, as directed in the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, becomes an abounding source of spiritual, mental, and physical health; and missionary work, in response to grace received, is one of the best stabilizers of health. What a blessed font of life, health, strength and gladness is the Holy Eucharist.

The sufficiency of the Prayer Book is markedly set forth by comparison with the table of contents of such a work as Health and Suggestion: The dietetics of the Mind, by Ernst von Feuchtersleben, M. D., published in 1838. The author succinctly states his purpose as follows: "By means of a blending of ethics and dietetics, strange, perhaps at first sight, I have sought to exhibit in its practical bearing the healing power of the spirit over the body of man."

The key-thoughts in the several chapters of that "classic on mental healing," though consistently psychological, correspond in logical form with the aspirations and petitions in the Prayer Book collects, as exemplified in the following table:

- "I. The Power of the Spirit"—Lent I; Trinity XIX.
- "II. Beauty and Health"—Transfiguration; Trinity XXI.
- "III. Imagination"—Easter V; Ascension Day.
- "IV. The Will"—Trinity I; Sunday next before Advent.
- "V. Reason and Culture"—St. Mark's Day; Advent II.
- "VI. Temperament and Passion"—Easter II and IV.
- "VII. The Emotions"—The Circumcision of Christ; Trinity XIV.
- "VIII. The Law of Contrast"—Christmas (Collect "at the first Communion"): Trinity II.
- "IX. Hypochondria"—Whitsunday; Quinquagesima.
- "X. Truth and Nature"—Trinity-Sunday; Collect, Thanksgiving Day Service.
- "XI. Summary"—St. Luke's Day; The Innocents' Day.

Well directed emphasis might be put on the Church's healing mission during Whitsun-Week: as fasting is the discipline of Lent; prayer, the motif of the

Rogation Days; and vocation to the sacred ministry the burden of Embertide. If Whitsun-Week were made a spiritual sanatorium, wherein the relation of spiritual gifts (See I Corinthians 12) to man's general well-being could be intensively demonstrated, the Church's healing mission would be given adequate special stress.

True to the Church's nature, spiritual healing is corporate as well as individual. Social and industrial ills are everywhere insistent. In evidence of the Church's equipment for meeting such demands, The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony contains one of the best specifics for the arrest and cure of that most malignant of social diseases—divorce. Remedy for tendencies to crime is implied in A Form of Prayer for the Visitation of Prisoners. The Forms of Prayer to Be Used in Families encourage an attitude toward business in general that in any stress of occupation, competition, or strife may lead to a solution of perplexing industrial problems.

If a ministry be exercised too closely for the individual, for the parish, public health is apt to be overlooked and economic justice disregarded. The Prayer Book suggests correctives of any such tendencies to exclusive parochialism. Vide the prayer for use In Time of Great Sickness and Mortality, and A Prayer for Congress.

Nurture for normal human development—the divine prophylactic—is, of course, a primal Christian occupation. The ministerial "exhortation" to Godfathers and Godmothers insinuates the need of religious education "so that we may truly see and mark and learn to be wise when we come to handling the most delicate, important and far-reaching of all social questions: the best upbringing of the young who are to become, for better or worse, the future citizens of the State."

The monumental task of Christianizing nationality puts leadership in the Church to a crucial test. In this the prayer For Missions points the magnitude of the Church's vocation.

The Prayer Book's Catholic adaptability makes it—in the largeness of its purview of duty to civil authority, of regard for international concerns even to world outlook for Christ, and, in particular, of stewardship "for all sorts and conditions of men"—sufficient as a guide-book of general Christian principles insuring, if aptly applied, individual, social, political, and industrial health and peace. ("Living Church," September 3, 1921.)

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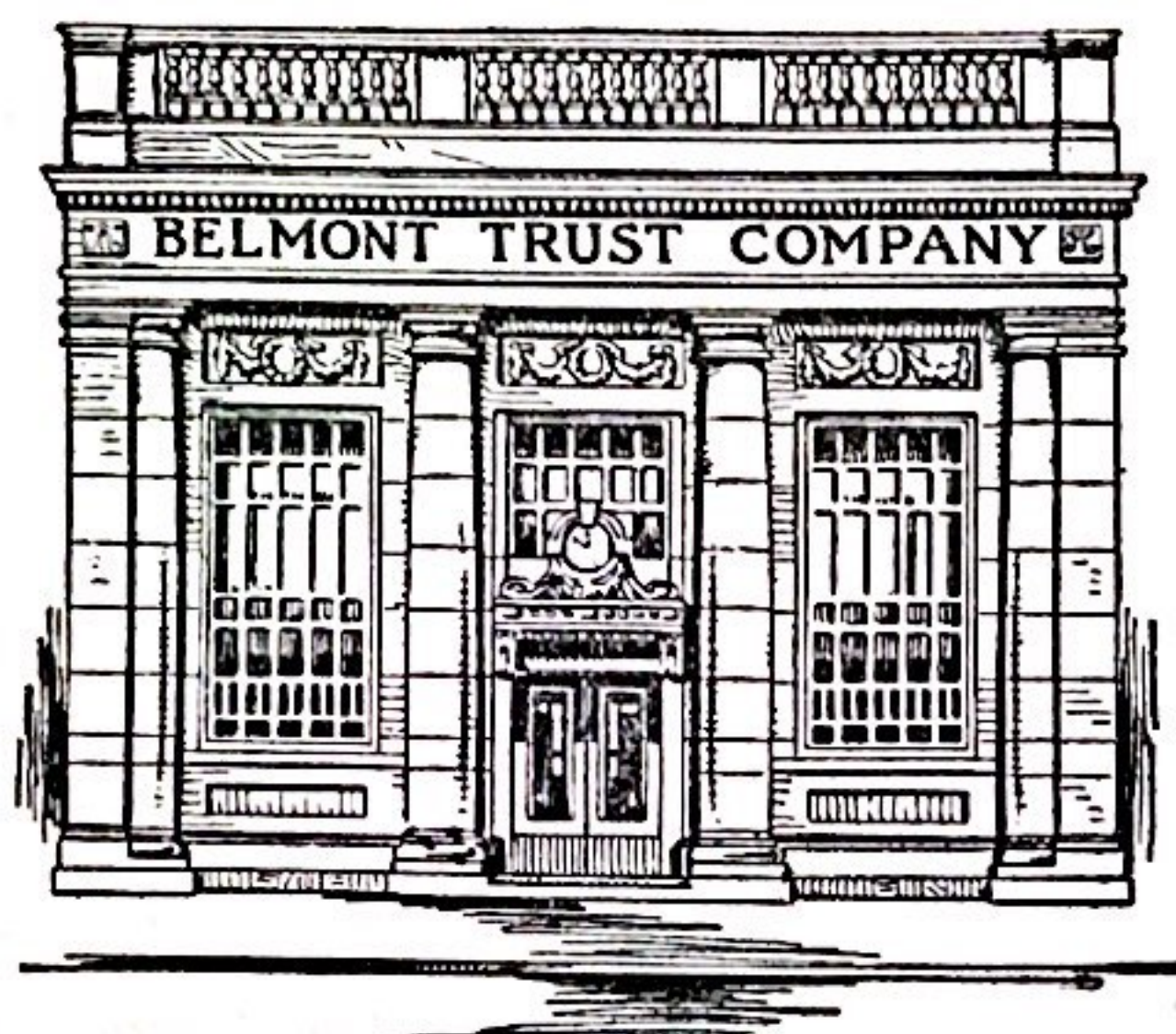
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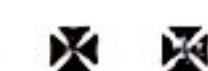
CHURCH CALENDAR

April

5. Palm Sunday.
6. Monday before Easter.
7. Tuesday before Easter.
8. Wednesday before Easter.
9. Maundy Thursday.
10. GOOD FRIDAY.
11. Easter Even.
12. EASTER DAY.
13. Monday in Easter Week.
14. Tuesday in Easter Week.
19. First Sunday after Easter.
25. *St. Mark's Day.*
26. Second Sunday after Easter.

May

1. *SS. Philip and James.*
3. Third Sunday after Easter.



PARISH REGISTER

Confirmations

March 12—Lilah Harris Johnson.
March 15—

Margaret Octavia Cardeza
Orrick Ash Childs
Helen Ball Corliss
Elizabeth Winslow Dickinson
Donald Horton
Philip Horton
Charles Thomas Monk, Jr.
Harrison Rees
Thomas Shoemaker Schermerhorn
Jennett Supplee Walker
Jeannette Goldey Wolf
Raymond John Wolf, Jr.
Adelaide Jenkins Wright

Communicants Received

March 11—Mrs. C. C. Vaux.
March 18—Mrs. Miriam Harvey, from
St. Michael's Church, Germantown.
March 18—Anna B. Hewitt.
March 19—Leonora Hewitt, from St.
Giles' Church, Stonehurst, Pa.

Burials

March 11—Harriet C. Waller.
March 12—Annie Thomas Sayen.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday, April 5

7.30 A. M. Holy Communion.
9.45 A. M. Church School.
10.30 A. M. Blessing the Palms.
11.00 A. M. Morning Service.
7.45 P. M. Evening Service.

Monday and Tuesday

7.30 A. M. Holy Communion.
4.30 P. M. Evening Prayer.

Wednesday

7.30 A. M. Holy Communion.
4.30 P. M. Evening Prayer.
8.00 P. M. Cantata, "Olivet to Calvary."

Maundy Thursday

7.30 A. M. Holy Communion.
9.30 A. M. Holy Communion.
8.00 P. M. Communicants' Preparation.

Good Friday, April 10

(Strict Fast)

12—3 P. M. The Three Hours.

Easter Even

4.30 P. M. Evening Prayer, Holy Baptism.

SPECIAL MUSICAL SERVICE

Wednesday Evening, April 8, 1925,
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PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

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April

God's Sadness and Man's Glory.

1. Surrender, St. Matt. 19:27-30.
2. Sacrifice, St. Luke 14:25-35.
3. Suffering, II Cor. 6:1-10.
4. The Will of God, Heb. 10:5-25.
5. Behold your King, St. John 12:12-33.
6. Inner Peace, St. John 14.
7. The Glory of Man, St. John 16:20-33.
8. Sadness and Glory, II Cor. 4:16; 5:15.
9. Patience, St. Luke 21:19-33.
10. The Victor of Death, Isa. 53.
11. The Exaltation of Man, Heb. 2.

Almighty God, Whose most dear Son went not up to joy, but first He suffered pain, and entered not into glory before He was crucified; Grant that we may be so strengthened by Thy power that in our tribulations we may be of good cheer because of Thy loving kindness, and may continually glorify Thy Holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Resurrection and Life's Problems.

12. Consolation, St. Luke's 24:13-25.
13. Sorrow, I St. Peter 3:1-12.
14. Identity, St. John 20:19-31.
15. Forgiveness, St. John 21:1-19.
16. Guidance, St. John 16:5-15.
17. Daily Experience, Acts 26:12-23.
18. Victory, I St. John 5:1-12.

O Lord Jesus, Whom the grave could not hold, grant us grace this day to be one with Thee that, having died to sin, we may rise with Thee and dwell with Thee in heavenly places that earthly care and sin and sorrow may be to us as things we have left behind, and the only realities for us, Thy presence and Thy love. Give to us, Lord, a blessed Easter, with the knowledge of triumph over sin, and with the joy and assurance of the risen life in our hearts. May we with chastened souls and lighted faces complete our earthly pilgrimage and at last come to Thy everlasting kingdom, where Thou art with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Pure and True Living.

19. A New Life, Col. 3:1-10.
20. Death to Sin, Rom. 6:1-11.
21. Ideals of Holiness, I St. Pet. 1:13-23.
22. Endurance in Truth, II St. Tim. 2:7-13.
23. Pure Living, I St. John 2:28; 3:3.
24. Discipline, II Cor. 4:8; 5:9.
25. Good Works, II St. Tim. 4.

Almighty Father, Who hast given Thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification, grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve Thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In His Steps.

26. A New Teaching, St. Mark 1:9; 2-28.
27. Helpful Service, St. Mark 3:1; 5:43.
28. Bountiful Provision, St. Mark 6:1; 8:26.
29. Glory of Sacrifice, St. Mark 8:27; 10:52.
30. Searching Thoughts, St. Mark 11:1; 13:37.
- May 1. Suffering, St. Mark 14:1-72.
- May 2. Death and Life, St. Mark 15:1; 16:8.

Almighty God, Who hast given Thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life, give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that His inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavor ourselves to follow the blessed steps of His most holy life, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Rector has been invited to preach in St. Peter's Church, Germantown, on the evening of April 19, at the monthly Young People's service.

The service in St. Philip's will be conducted by the curate of St. Peter's. There should be a large attendance on that evening to welcome our visitor.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Holy Week, in which we commemorate the closing events of our Blessed Saviour's earthly life, and the great tragedy which selfishness, hate and sin ever cause the world to suffer—typified by the crucifixion—is naturally a time for solemn meditation. It should not be wasted in mere preparation for a superficial observance of Easter Day, symbolized by new clothes and joyful parties. It is akin to the birth pains of a new life on which we enter on "the Day of Resurrection."

If we would thoroughly enjoy the gladness—the light—of Easter, it is necessary as a law of life, that we must endure the sadness—the shadow—of a Holy Week, which nevertheless has a glory of its own, for out of the shadow and suffering emerges the life of newness and power.

Again, the season of Eastertide is not to be marked by a relaxation of ideals attempted and attained during Lent. It is not a time for sinking back into old ruts, but a time for climbing higher along new paths. It is an occasion for "rising."

As Christ is risen, and as we are members of Christ, we too are risen. That is an Easter thought we must not forget.

The higher one rises, the greater becomes one's area of vision and the clearer the atmosphere. The more complete our union with Christ, the more of life, its needs and opportunities, can we discern.

With clearer sight, therefore, let us make plans for a bigger and better "new" life, for ourselves and for the Church, which we can accomplish in the power of the Resurrection.

Wishing each one of you an Eastertide of peace and joy, of power and gladness, I am

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild held a most interesting meeting on March 11 with a good attendance of its members. Much business was transacted. At Mr. Seymour's request a committee to assist the Church School, especially in visiting absentees, was organized and Mrs. Walker was appointed chairman of the committee.

The Philadelphia Electric Company will give a talk on Wednesday afternoon, April 29, on "The Easiest Way to Keep House." Stereopticon pictures will be shown and afternoon tea served by the Guild.

Every woman in the Parish is invited and it is hoped that many will come and that the entertainment will prove as successful as the tea of last month, when the little play was presented.

MARTHA W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

EASTER

The services on Easter Day will be: 6.30, 7.30 and 11 A. M.—Holy Eucharist.

10.30 A. M.—Organ Recital.

4 P. M.—Church School Festival.

There will be no evening service.

On Easter Monday and Tuesday the Rector will gladly administer Holy Communion, privately, upon request, to persons unable to attend the services on Easter Day.

Easter in the Church School

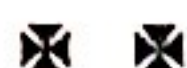
On Easter Day at 4 P. M. the Easter Festival Service will be held. The Missionary Offering will be presented with appropriate ceremony. Let every pupil and all parents and friends make this service hearty and reverent and enthusiastic.

The morning session of the Church School will be omitted.

CONFIRMATION

On March 15 the Rt. Rev. George A. Beecher, Bishop of Western Nebraska, administered Confirmation to thirteen members of the Church School. During the previous week he confirmed an adult in the Chapel of the Church House.

We welcome these newly confirmed persons to the fullest privileges of the Christian Church and of this Parish which will be strengthened as they "increase in the Holy Spirit more and more."



The Women's Guild has issued invitations to its members for an illustrated lecture Wednesday, April 29, at 2.30 o'clock, in the Parish House. Subject, "The Easiest Way to Keep House." Speaker, Gertrude H. Shearer.

Every woman wants to know an easy way to keep house; how to find more time for personal and community interests. Miss Shearer will tell how modern ingenuity and service makes this possible and will illustrate her subject with colored slides. Tea will be served.



INTERESTING

"How far this little candle throws its beams."

Inquiries have been received from several parts of this country for copies of St. Philip's Record.

Now comes a request from "The Manse," Helen's Bay, County Down, Ulster, Northern Ireland.

We are indeed glad to add this address to our mailing list.

By the way, can any pupil in the school tell who said the words quoted above and when they were spoken?

CONGREGATIONAL DINNER

An interesting dinner and important meeting of the Corporation was held on March 24, at which over one hundred persons were present.

The purpose of the meeting was purely to discuss the financial situation of the Parish, which Mr. Pryor and Mr. Kinney described, Mr. Hershey serving as chairman of the meeting.

Our annual deficit is substantially \$2000.

We have apparently reached our giving ability.

Our record for extra-parochial giving has been enviable, but out of proportion to our size and financial ability. If the former record is maintained the Parish itself must be crippled, and a weak Parish decreases, ultimately, the strength of the whole Church.

With the purpose of "strengthening our cords" in order that we may later on again "lengthen our stakes," it was suggested that our subscribers change their pledges so as to divert their missionary offerings to current expenses.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted after full discussion, as an action of the Corporation endorsing the action of the Vestry: "Resolved: that the Vestry notify the Finance Committee of the Diocese that our expectation of missionary giving for 1925 will be \$1000, but if at the end of the year there be any surplus on hand after all bills for current expenses be paid, such surplus shall be sent to the Diocesan Treasurer in addition to the \$1000."

Subscribers are asked to co-operate with the Vestry by placing all their contributions in the left hand pocket of the envelope, marking thereon the amount.

This action is not to be regarded as showing any diminution in missionary interest for which the Parish is noted, but is a frank recognition of the financial condition of the Parish which must be improved if the Parish is to remain.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the Month of February, 1925, and Comparative Statement for Two Months Ending February 28, 1924 and 1925

	1925 February	1924 Period Ending Feb. 28	1925 Period Ending Feb. 28
RECEIPTS			
From Pledges	\$579.60	\$970.60	\$1,429.75
" Plate Collections	63.63	135.79	130.45
In Lieu of Pew Rents	47.50	551.50	172.50
Interests from Endowment Fund	228.84	197.44	228.84
Special for Expenses .....	.....	19.00	1.00
Miscellaneous	162.15	171.80	218.30
Rebuilding Fund .....	.....	.....	43.60
Pension Fund	5.00	.....	5.00
Rectory Fund	56.65	130.20	118.75
Total	\$1,148.37	\$2,176.33	\$2,348.19
DISBURSEMENTS			
Salaries of Rector and Sexton	\$433.33	\$866.66	\$866.66
Choir and Music	208.33	416.66	416.66
Repairs, Church	15.95	17.00	15.95
Chancel Laundry	25.00	.....	25.00
Insurance Premiums .....	.....	10.00	158.00
Electric Light and Power Service	26.54	64.75	60.46
Church School Expenses .....	.....	12.30	14.35
St. Philip's Record	44.00	70.00	44.00
Telephone, Printed Matter, Publications and Other Miscellaneous Expenses ...	68.36	66.11	131.80
Transferred to Rectory Fund Reserve ..	56.65	130.20	118.75
" Pension Fund	5.00	.....	5.00
" Rebuilding Fund .....	.....	.....	43.60
Total	\$883.16	\$1,653.68	\$1,900.23
Surplus Before Rectory Maintenance...	\$265.21	\$522.65	\$447.96
Rentals Received	45.00	90.00	90.00
	\$310.21	\$612.65	\$537.96
Less Rectory Repairs .....	.....	24.00	.....
Surplus	\$310.21	\$588.65	\$537.96
Extraordinary Repairs:			
New Tubes in Boiler Parish House		\$296.55	
General Repairs to Heaters, Spouting and Roofs....		747.37	
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CHINA

The subject of Mission Study for 1925 is China.

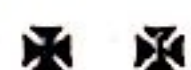
St. Philip's has been engaged in this study during the past winter from a variety of aspects.

The Rev. Amos Goddard, of Kiukiang, and the Rev. P. L. Tsen, who has been General Secretary of the Missionary Society of the Holy Catholic Church of China, have preached to us.

Mrs. H. K. Dillard, Jr., has conducted a mission study class.

The Young People's Society has discussed China each Sunday evening in Lent, and the illustrated addresses at the Children's Services were on "Changing China."

If we do not know the conditions, needs and opportunities of China by this time it is not from lack of opportunity to know.



Missionary Activities in the Church School

The various classes in the school have been diligently working earning and saving money for the Missionary Offering, which we hope will amount to \$600 at least.

Miss Neumann's Class gave an excellent supper on March 10, serving over 50 people.

Mrs. Crowell's Class held a cake and candy sale on March 11; Miss Alfrend's Class on March 20; Mrs. Riegner's and Mrs. Flanders' Classes on March 27.

The Young People's Society was quite ambitious. The members gave one sale on February 27 and will give another one on April 3.

Mr. Hershey's Class has sold a large number of pencils advertising our Church.

Other classes have sold a vast quantity of Easter eggs.

The Lower School will give a supper in Easter Week.

Summer Conference Meetings

On April 21 a meeting will be held in St. James' Parish House, at 6.30 P. M., in the interests of Summer Conferences. All who have attended such conferences in the past as well as others who may enroll this summer are urged to attend.

Two of our teachers attended the Peninsula Summer School at Ocean City, Md., last June. It is hoped that St. Philip's will be as well represented this year. The Rector has been honored by being made an Associate Member of the Executive Committee of the school, and will give two courses of instructions, one on "The Teacher" and one on "The Prayer Book." The school this year will be in session from June 22 to 27. It is a "five-day school" and offers a large variety of subjects taught by competent instructors. It is the only school, also, that offers the attraction of ocean bathing! Furthermore, it is the least expensive of the many schools and conferences held in the Eastern part of the United States.



Something to Think About.

Most Church people are generous contributors to the Church.

That is well, and praiseworthy. But Church people die, like other people in a sense, and usually their contributions die with them. That often causes serious financial difficulty.

Two remedies for this condition may be suggested:

1. The Prayer Book requires the Ministers to "admonish their people to make their wills . . . and to be liberal to the poor. Bequests are very helpful—and increasingly to be desired by such a Parish as St. Philip's.

2. A more modern way, and one which people of moderate means can more easily adopt, is by means of insurance. Parishioners can insure themselves for the benefit of the Parish, the value of the policy to be paid on the death of the insured, either in one sum or in an annuity similar to the weekly or annual subscription of the parishioner during life. The cost is moderate, the plan practical, the benefit great.

THE GATE OF HEAVEN

We wish that more than the two stanzas of the hymn of St. Thomas Aquinas which are in our Hymnal might be sung in all our churches on Easter Day. We print the entire hymn here, for those of our readers who may not have it at hand:

The Heavenly Word proceeding forth,
Yet leaving not the Father's side,
Accomplishing His work on earth
Had reached at length life's eventide.

By false disciple to be given
To foemen for His life athirst,
Himself, the very Bread of Heaven,
He gave to His disciples first.

He gave Himself in either kind,
His precious Flesh, His precious Blood:
In Love's own fulness thus designed
Of the whole man to be the Food.

By Birth, their fellow-man was He;
Their Meat, when sitting at the board;
He dies, their Ransomer to be;
He ever reigns, their great Reward.

O Saving Victim, opening wide
The gate of Heaven to man below
Our foes press on from every side,
Thine aid supply, Thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to Thee ascend,
For evermore, Blest One in Three;
O grant us life that shall not end,
In our true native land with Thee.

Our reason for wishing that this hymn might be sung as part of the celebration of Easter Day is this: Most of us think of Easter as the end of the Lent, as the culmination of the Church's year. And so, of course, it is. But why? Because it is the beginning of life. Do we realize how clearly this is set forth in the Collect for the day:

"Almighty God, who through thine only begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; we humbly beseech thee that, as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. Amen."

We hear this Collect, year by year. Do we, even as often as that, think of it and try to live according to it?

The old leaven of malice and wickedness is hard to put away. The "sins of good people," of which Dean Hodges so often spoke, do so easily beset us: unkindness, selfishness, pride. How shall we put away this old leaven—and keep always by us the new leaven of sincerity and truth?

The only way is by the continual remembrance of Easter Day and its meaning and its promise. The gate of heaven is open; the way to that gate is found; the strength to persevere in that way is given. Let us not forget, or remember but faintly, when Eastertide is past. Let us rather have it all in such abiding recollection that it is not a memory at all but a living reality. The gate of everlasting life is open. Let us keep our eyes turned toward it.

How shall we do this? There is only one way: By keeping our thoughts fixed upon the Saving Victim. And how do this? There is, again, only one way: By love. We remember every hour in the day those whom we love. The measure of our love for Christ will be the measure of our "continual remembrance."—The Churchman.



EASTER TRIUMPH

By T. S. Knox

Luke 24:6—"He is not here but is risen"
Eternal life hath triumphed over death,
The grave no longer holds its ancient sway,
The world is lighted with the glowing dawn
That heralds now the everlasting day.

Green leaf and flower daily deck the earth,
The clouds of gloom move off from land and sea,
Creation smiles with hope, and nature sings
Her gladdest songs of joy and victory.

The grassy mound, the wild-wood lot, the tomb
Beneath the wave where mourners cannot tread,
Are mausoleums guarding sacred dust
Until the earth and sea give up their dead.

MY CHURCH

By Rt. Rev. Dr. G. Ashton Oldham,
Bishop Coadjutor, of Albany

I.—My Church Involves Privileges.

1.—It is MY Church, not the Rector's, not the vestry's, but mine.

2.—It is MY Church, not because of work I do for it or gifts I make to it, but by virtue of my Baptism. I am born into it. I am a member of the family.

3.—It is MY Church and as a member of the family I have certain rights and privileges, such as the right to worship, the right to the sacraments, the right to the services of the clergy. These I do not ask as a favor. I take them for granted. No invitation is needed any more than I need an invitation to my dinner, or the social intercourse with my family, or to the advice of my father. Sociability and a warm welcome are pleasant and desirable. They are not necessary, nor will their absence affect my claiming and using my privileges. No one can drive me away from my Church. A story is told of a Scotch woman, who had a quarrel with her minister. On seeing her in Church the following Sunday, he expressed surprise, to which she retorted, "Young man, my quarrel was with you, not with the Lord." MY Church is my Father's house, and no human failures or delinquencies will weaken my loyalty to Him or affect my standing or attitude as a member of the family.

II.—My Church Imposes Responsibilities.

1.—The possessive pronoun MY always involves responsibilities. When a sovereign says MY subjects, or a physician MY patients, or a lawyer MY clients, or a priest MY people, it implies serious and solemn responsibilities for them. So, when I say MY Church, it likewise implies responsibilities.

2.—Since it is MY Church, I will do my part in worship by being regular and prompt in attendance and by reverent and earnest participation. I will do my part to create a warm kindly atmosphere. I will not so much look for a welcome as give it. I will not so much expect to be called upon, but instead, do some calling myself. If it is MY Church, I am the host and all strangers and visitors are guests and I will treat them accordingly.

3.—Since it is MY Church, I will do my part financially. Instead of complaining when money is asked for, I shall be anxious to find out what are the needs and meet them to the best of my ability. I shall endeavor to get beyond the Sunday School stage in giving. The Church is my mother. If my mother is in need, I want to help.

4.—Since it is MY Church, I will endeavor to view it with the same interest as I do my home. I shall take an interest in all its activities and shall always be glad to know what the Sunday School and the various guilds are doing. I shall be interested in the physical structure and endeavor to discover things that may be done to enhance its beauty and usefulness. I will take a pride in its appearance and endeavor to have it a model for all buildings in the town.

5.—Since it is MY Church, I will magnify its reputation, will allow no criticism to go unchallenged, will be careful to make none myself. I will be zealous for my Church's reputation and jealous for her honor.

6.—Since it is MY Church, I will endeavor to be an asset and not a liability, a plus and not a minus quantity. I will endeavor to realize that, as an army is composed of privates as well as officers, so a Church includes parishioners as well as clergy, and the strength of the Church depends upon the loyal and hearty co-operation of all. Every layman is enlisted in service by the very terms of his Baptism when he is pledged to "confess the faith of Christ crucified and manfully to fight under His banner against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end."

III.—Since It Is MY Church, I Will Endeavor to Love It as Did the Master.

He loved the Church and gave Himself for it. A writer says that while it is true that men loved Florence because Florence was great, it is also true that Florence became great because men loved it, and he goes on to say: "If men had loved Pimlico as men loved Florence, Pimlico would have become as great as Florence." This is an eternal truth. Men love things because they are great and things become great because men love them. We love the Church because of what it is, and in proportion as we love it, it will become what it ought to be. Let us love the Church.

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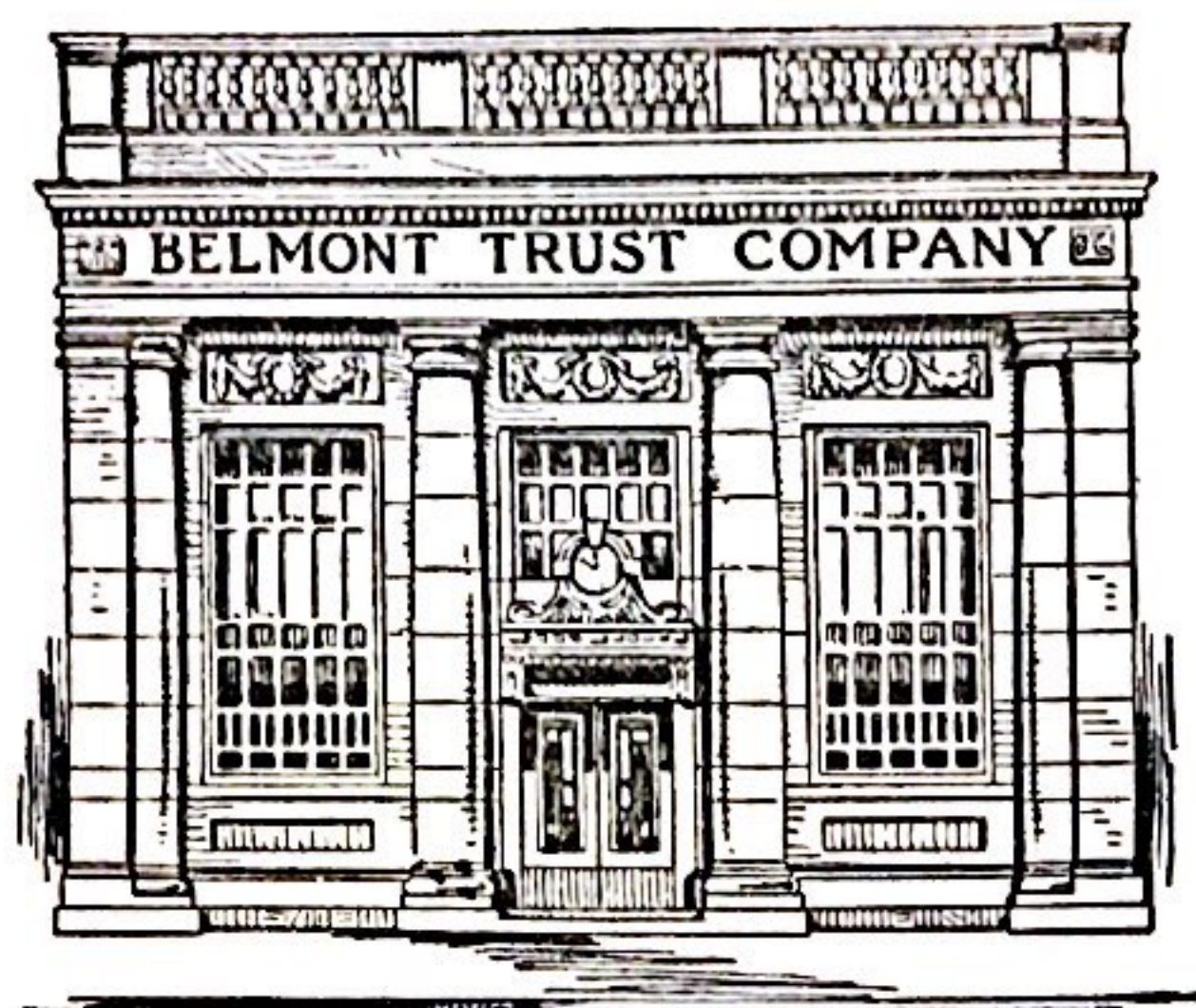
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CHURCH CALENDAR

June

- 1, 2. Monday and Tuesday in Whitsun-week.
- 3, 5, 6. Ember Days.
7. TRINITY SUNDAY
11. St. Barnabas' Day.
14. First Sunday after Trinity.
22. Second Sunday after Trinity.
24. Nativity of St. John Baptist.
28. Third Sunday after Trinity.
29. St. Peter's Day.

July

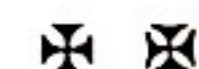
4. Independence Day (St. Martin's)
5. Fourth Sunday after Trinity.



PARISH REGISTER

Burials

- May 12.—Marguerite Bement.
May 15.—Fanny A. McCorkle.
May 18.—Sarah B. Roatch.
May 20.—William J. Monteith.
May 26.—Reese Reddin.
May 28.—Richard W. Ellicott.



Altar Flowers

- Flowers for the Altar are provided for
Sundays in June as follows:
First Sunday, Miss M. Delany.
Second Sunday, Mrs. M. T. Ringer.
Third Sunday,
Fourth Sunday, Mrs. W. P. Bement.

July

- First Sunday, Mrs. J. H. Zebley.
Second Sunday,
Third Sunday,
Fourth Sunday,

August

- First Sunday, Mrs. B. F. Baird.
Second Sunday,
Third Sunday,
Fourth Sunday,
Fifth Sunday, Miss H. Williams.
Please apply to Miss H. Williams or to
Mrs. B. F. Baird for vacant Sundays.
During the summer flowers are plentiful. They should not be absent from the Altar.

IN MEMORIAM

At a meeting of the Vestry held on May 26, the following Memorial was adopted, and ordered to be spread on the minutes:

In the sudden calling of Miss Marguerite Bement to a larger sphere of influence and activity in the unseen world (so close to us), a great shock of grief came over the entire parish.

Our thoughts and prayers centered on the afflicted family, to whom we all—as Rector, as the Vestry, as organizations or as communicants—extend our sincerest sympathy.

Miss Bement was so intimately connected in so many ways with every interest in the parish, that absence of her personality and her counsel will be a sad loss to us.

For a long period a faithful teacher in the Church School, until other duties required her to relinquish this task; for many years secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, and more recently its president; president of the Altar Guild, and active member of the Women's Guild, Miss Bement has served this parish (and the Church) diligently in her day and generation.

For her useful life spent in self-sacrificing service, we praise God, and, while saddened by her departure, we rejoice with her in her nearer Presence with the Master. We pray that "all that is good in her may be expanded and ripened, that she may be deepened in the love of God, and be blessed with the Vision of His Being and Beauty that in the strength of it she may serve without haste and without rest."

For her family we pray "that the God of all comfort, Who comforteth us in all our afflictions, may comfort them through the comfort wherewith we are comforted of God."

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

JUNE

Guidance by the Holy Spirit.

May 31. The Gift of the Spirit, Acts 2:1-11.

1. The Unity of the Spirit, Acts 4:31-37.
2. The Power of the Spirit, Acts 7:55-60.
3. (Ember Day.) Filled with the Spirit, Acts 11:19-26.
4. The Power of the Spirit, Rom. 15:8-19.
5. (Ember Day.) Led by the Spirit, Gal. 5:16-26.
6. (Ember Day.) Quench not the Spirit, I Thess. 5:14-24.

O Blessed Spirit, Who dost teach us all things, and in Whom is the Spring of Divine Wisdom and Grace that issues forth from the Throne of God for the healing of the Nations; enlighten our consciences that we, relying only upon Thee, may be led into the way of truth, and by Thy Divine power may bring about in God's own time, the victorious reign of justice on the earth; Who with the Father and the Son livest and reignest one God, world without end. Amen.

The Blessed Trinity.

7. In the Incarnation, St. Luke 1:26-38.
8. In Holy Baptism, St. John 1:29-34.
9. In our Lord's Teaching, St. John 3:1-15.
10. In the Training of the Apostles, St. John 16:1-15.
11. In the Apostles' Teaching, Acts 2:22-26.
12. In the Life of the Church, Eph. 3:14-21.
13. In the Individual, Rev. 4.

May the power of the Father govern me. May the wisdom of the Son enlighten me. May the operation of the Holy Spirit quicken me. O God, guard my soul, sustain my body, elevate my senses, direct my speech, regulate my manners, bless my undertakings, fulfil my petitions, inspire my thoughts, pardon the past, correct the present, order the future. Amen.

Trust in God.

14. With all the Heart, Prov. 3:5-26.
15. With all the Mind, Isa. 26:1-12.
16. Trust in Difficulties, Exo. 14:10-31.
17. Trust in Adversity, Ps. 91.

18. Trust through God's Presence, Ps. 34.
 19. Trust through God's Love, Rom. 8:28-39.
 20. Fruitfulness of Trust, Jer. 17:7-14.
- O Thou Who pervadest and animatest all that lives, Who art the Source from which we come, the End to which we travel, and the Centre on which we rest; Help us to put our trust in Thee forever. Enable us to surrender our wills to Thine, and to sacrifice each desire that is contrary to Thy law; for the sake of Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. Amen.

The Majesty of God.

21. The Righteousness of God, Isa. 46:5-13.
22. The Glory of God, Rev. 15:2-8.
23. The Knowledge of God, Ps. 139.
24. The Majesty of God, Ps. 104.
25. The Wisdom of God, I Cor. 2:7-16.
26. The God of All the Earth, Rev. 7:9-12.
27. The King of Kings, I St. Tim. 6:12-16.

Hear us, O Lord, for Thou art our God and our Lord, our Father and our Creator, our Ruler and our Hope, our Wealth and our Honor, our Home, our Country, our Salvation and our Life. Few of Thy servants comprehend Thee, but at least we love Thee. We seek Thee, we follow Thee, we are ready to serve Thee. Under Thy power we desire to abide, for Thou art the Sovereign of all. We pray Thee to command us as Thou wilt; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. Amen. (King Alfred.)

Omnipresence of God.

28. Nearness of God, Deut. 30:11-16.
29. Protection of God, Isa. 43:1-7.
30. Universality of God, Acts 17:22-33.
- July 1. Sympathy of God, Heb. 4:9-16.
2. The Love of God, I St. John 4.
3. The Omniscience of God, Job 38.
4. A Ruler's Prayer for His People, I Kings 8:22-30.

O Lord God, in Whom we live and move and have our being; Open our eyes that we may behold Thy Fatherly Presence ever about us. Draw our hearts to Thee with the power of Thy love. Teach us to be anxious for nothing; and when we have done what Thou hast given us to do, help us, O God, our Saviour, to leave the issue to Thy wisdom. Take from us all doubt and mistrust. Lift up our thoughts to Thee in heaven and make us to know that all things are possible to us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Rest is almost universally recognized as necessary, even as profitable, and productive of more and better work. Modern industry is largely operated on this principle, and progressive business men provide opportunities for rest, occasionally throughout the day, by holidays and vacations of more extended periods for recuperation.

Results in business convince us that "rest" is a good investment of time (and money).

Hence, we look forward to a cessation of routine duties for a time, with the same eagerness with which we anticipate their resumption later on.

The ordinary annual rest-period of mankind is something over two months, the tendency in the industrial world being to increase the hours of leisure. Usually the rest is taken weekly, sometimes as a concentration vacation.

Rest is not idleness, however, but "ordered leisure" in which by freedom from distracting engagements, opportunity is given for thought, for quiet meditation, for needed relaxation which is so important a factor in view of the tension of modern life.

Let our vacations therefore be purposeful and recreational, in order that we may resume our work with better physical and mental equipment. And do not neglect the culture of the Spirit. Do not forget God and the Church, even when traveling.

"The Lord watch between me and thee when we are absent one from the other."

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

P. S.—It is suggested that on the Feast of the Transfiguration, August 6, members of the parish, wherever they may be, should remember St. Philip's in service, if possible, and in private devotions.

Summer Services

The weekday celebrations of the Holy Communion, and the evening services will be omitted during June, July, August and September, as heretofore.

The services at 7.30 and 11 A. M. on Sundays in June will be conducted by the Rector.

In July, the Rev. W. W. Steel, at one time Rector of St. Mary's and more recently Archdeacon of Cuba, will be in charge of the Parish.

In August, the Rev. C. Estornelle, Rector of St. John's Church, Camden, who came to us last August, will again be in charge.

Emergency ministrations may be received—should any be required—from either of these priests.

The Rev. Mr. Steel may be found at 1506 Pine street, Philadelphia.

Both of our visitors will be cordially welcomed to St. Philip's.

My dear Mr. Seymour:

On behalf of All Souls' Guild, Philadelphia General Hospital, I am writing to thank you for your very great kindness in allowing the Guild to use the Parish House on Thursday, May 14, for a card party. You will rejoice with us I know when I tell you that we made, counting donations and our cake and candy table, well over \$100. This means that we will have money enough to give treats throughout the summer in the wards. We always try to give ice cream and cake to at least 300 patients each month and I think this summer our number may be materially increased owing to the generous response to our card party.

Thanking you once more for your kindness and friendly interest I am,

Cordially yours,

MINNIE M. FRY,
Secretary-Treasurer.

May 16.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the Month of April, 1925, and Comparative Statement for the Four Months Ended April 30, 1924 and 1925

RECEIPTS:

	April, 1925	Period ended April 30, 1924	Period ended April 30, 1925
From Pledges	\$860.40	\$2,151.85	\$3,033.70
From Plate Collections	81.91	283.24	290.45
In lieu of Pew Rents	60.00	626.50	257.50
Interest from Endowment Funds	73.12	271.23	374.11
Contributions—Church School .....	.....	71.94	40.38
Contributions—Women's Guild	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00
Contributions—Easter Offerings	1,573.05	1,912.49	1,589.05
Miscellaneous Receipts	245.55	183.95	456.45
Contributions—Missions and Assessments	6.85	.....	818.80
Contributions—Rebuilding Fund .....	.....	.....	43.60
Contributions—Pension Fund .....	.....	.....	10.50
Contributions—Rectory Fund	31.20	258.25	208.15
	<u>\$3,932.08</u>	<u>\$5,759.45</u>	<u>\$8,122.69</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

Salaries—Rector and Sexton	\$433.33	\$1,733.33	\$1,733.33
Choir and Music	208.33	833.33	833.33
Repairs to Church Property .....	.....	116.50	22.25
Chancel Laundry .....	.....	25.00	25.00
Insurance Premiums .....	.....	24.30	168.50
Electric Light and Power Service	34.40	152.68	121.59
Church School Expenses	9.23	43.24	35.30
St. Philip's Record	37.00	140.00	117.00
Telephone, Printed Matter, Publications and other Miscellaneous Expenses	221.81	258.06	401.55
Transferred to Rebuilding Fund .....	.....	.....	43.60
Transferred to Rectory Fund Reserve	31.20	258.25	208.15
Transferred to Pension Fund Reserve .....	.....	.....	10.50
Quarterly Assessments—Episcopal Fund	46.58	.....	46.58
Quarterly Assessments—Convention Fund	50.86	.....	50.86
Quarterly Assessments—Sustentation Fund	24.45	.....	24.45
Quarterly Assessments—Pension Fund .....	*	.....	.....
Payments to apply on Missions .....	.....	.....	.....
	<u>\$1,097.19</u>	<u>\$3,584.69</u>	<u>\$3,841.99</u>
Surplus before Rectory Maintenance	\$2,834.89	\$2,174.76	\$4,280.70
Rectory Rentals	90.00	135.00	180.00
	<u>\$2,924.89</u>	<u>\$2,309.76</u>	<u>\$4,460.70</u>
Rectory Repairs, Interest on Mortgage	246.00	240.25	246.00
	<u>\$2,678.89</u>	<u>\$2,069.51</u>	<u>\$4,214.70</u>
Extraordinary repairs to heater, boilers, roofs and Church .....	.....	.....	1,043.92
Surplus for period	\$2,678.89	\$2,069.51	\$3,170.78
Special Easter Offerings applied to deficits of prior years .....	.....	1,454.50	2,589.05
Transferred to Profit and Loss .....	.....	\$615.01	\$581.73

*Payment \$225.00 charged to the Reserve Balance due on Assessments and Missions for the year—\$1,497.08.

CHAS. L. FILBERT, Accounting Warden.

ST. PHILIP'S VESTRY

The members of the Vestry, and its organization are given below:

Rector's Warden—Mr. J. Hanse Zeb-ley.

Accounting Warden—Mr. Charles L. Filbert.

Secretary—Mr. Charles C. Kinney.

Mr. U. Grant Beath,

Mr. Russell Bement,

Mr. Ira D. Garman,

Mr. C. M. Glackens,

Mr. Ralph Hershey,

Mr. A. E. King,

Mr. T. L. Leuders,

Mr. F. J. Pryor, Jr.,

Mr. G. W. Witte.

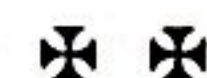
Standing Committees.

Music—Messrs. Kinney, Pryor, Witte and Rector ex officio.

Church School—Messrs. Hershey, King, Beath and Rector ex officio.

Finance—Messrs. Pryor, Kinney, Zeb-ley.

Church Property—Messrs. Hershey, Garman, Glackens and Accounting Warden, ex officio Chairman.



"THE WOMEN'S GUILD"

It was decided to have the business meeting only on Wednesday afternoon, May 13, on account of the sudden passing away of Miss Marguerite Bement, who will be sadly missed in every organization. Many of the members have lost in her a personal friend.

The money made by "The Personal Effort" amounted to \$237.25. A splendid result, showing the interest of the members in the work. Of this \$125 was given to Miss M. Blakiston, the chairman of the Benevolent Section, for her work in "The Guild" during the coming season. The donations to the cake and candy sale were very liberal and over \$30 was made at the sale.

M. W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

IN THE

PARISH HOUSE

FRIDAY EVENING,

JUNE 5.

Tickets, Thirty-five Cents.

For the Benefit of

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

Towards Repainting the

Parish House.

EVERY ONE COME

"A GOOD NAME IS BETTER THAN RICHES"

This modest parish paper seems to have gained, some way, a good name, judging from the inquiries for copies, coming from widely separated parts of the world.

Here is the latest, from Jackson, Miss.:

"I am very much interested in church monthlies. I understand, of all monthlies 'St. Philip's Record' stands out as perhaps the best in the American church. Would it be asking too much to ask you to send me any numbers that you can conveniently spare?"

Our mailing list is growing, we are proud to say.

But what a reputation we have to live up to!



A PRAYER FOR USEFULNESS

O Blessed Jesus, order our steps through these coming months of special temptation to sloth and self-ease. Turn them into the fields broken for Thy sowing, that Thy harvest may not fail.

Grant us understanding of Thy Word and obedience to Thy Will. And fit our strength to the work Thou hast committed us. For Thy dear sake. Amen.

IMPORTANT PROPOSAL

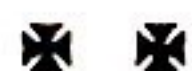
The following suggested plan was laid before the Woman's Auxiliary (having the hearty support of its late president), and the Women's Guild and was given a sympathetic reception.

It is now published so that all concerned may have opportunity to study it carefully during the summer and be ready to discuss it frankly in the fall.

The plan as outlined is not perfect, nor final. It is intended to be flexible and is capable of modification where needed.

It was inspired by the difficulty of obtaining officers for the several societies and by the desire to have more persons share in the enlarged responsibilities of the parish.

It requires fewer meetings, with less officers. It would accomplish more work, because of increased interest.



SUGGESTED PLAN FOR MERGING SOCIETIES

(Women's Guild, Woman's Auxiliary, Altar Society.)

Name—St. Philip's Guild. (Guild means really a federation of societies) or—if desired, St. Philip's Auxiliary. Under the new conception of the church, all work, whether parochial or not, is auxiliary to the church.

Name, after all, non-important. Some use "Church Service League." (Read April "Spirit of Missions" for attitude of Woman's Auxiliary towards the general principles underlying these suggestions.)

Purpose—To co-ordinate the work of the Parish in the Five Fields of Christian interest and activity: The Parish, the Diocese, the Community, the Nation, the World. (Some members of some societies are purely parochial, others purely missionary, etc. This "Merger" would tend to broaden each to include all.)

Officers—One President, as general supervisor, and as chairman at "Parish" meetings (see under Meetings, below); one Vice President, to assist President, etc., and to serve as chairman and supervisor of "Non-parochial" meetings (see under Meetings, below); one Recording Secretary, one Corresponding Secretary, one Treasurer.

Terms of office—The President shall serve for one year, and be succeeded by the Vice President. The Vice President shall serve one year and then become President. (This provides really a term of office extending over two years, but divides the responsibility each year.) The Secretaries and Treasurer shall serve for two years. Note: In 1925 the Treasurer shall be elected for one year, and thereafter for two years. (This provides continuity in the Executive Committee (see below) so that all officers do not go out of office at one time.)

Committees—There shall be the following Standing Committees:

(1) Altar and Choir, (2) Benevolence, (3) Church Periodical Club, (4) Education (Mission Study, Co-operation with Church School, etc.), (5) Finance*, (6) Hospitality, (7) House, (8) Missions, Diocesan (including Diocesan Financial program), (9) Missions, General (including Colored, Indian, Domestic, Foreign), (10) Visiting.

The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers and the chairmen of the Standing Committees.

* The Finance Committee shall appropriate, according to need, the monies received by the Guild, to claims in the Five Fields, and requirements of the Standing Committees.

Meetings—Meetings shall be held monthly from October to May inclusive. Reports from the Standing Committees shall be presented at each meeting, and necessary action shall be taken. General business shall be transacted at each meeting. Special emphasis shall be laid, at each meeting, after General Business, on the work in the Field designated in the following schedule:

January, Parish; February, Nation (Domestic); March, Parish; April, Diocese; May, Parish (including plans for the work of the following winter); October, Parish; November, World (Foreign); December, Community.

Note: This plan provides for all the work now undertaken by the parish for parochial and non-parochial purposes, brings the entire work of the Church before a larger number of people, and requires fewer officers and less meetings.

MOTHER'S MEETING

The usual Easter entertainment of the Mother's Meeting was not held this year, but postponed until the closing session, the last Tuesday in April. It was an enjoyable evening and regret was expressed that the meetings are over.

The decorations, yellow tulips, other spring flowers and asparagus ferns, with electric lights and yellow candles, made the room most cheerful!

Miss Ashburner opened the meeting with the Creed. Prayers and several Easter carols were sung. Our Rector was present for part of the evening, giving the members some helpful thoughts for the summer.

Mrs. John S. Boyd read two amusing selections. Mr. and Mrs. Claghorn played and sang.

Ice cream and cakes were served.

The meetings have been well attended throughout the winter, with the exception of the month of January, when the weather was so inclement.

Many of the members of the meeting are United Thank Offering Contributors, also contribute to the Cathedral League. The flowers on the Chapel Altar, the first Sunday in May, were given by them and some of the money made at the rummage sale towards the Easter Offering. The contents of the Missionary Box will be sent to Alaska.

Visitors to the meetings are always welcome. Thank to all who have helped in any way.

S. H. B.



ST. ANDREW'S CHAPEL

Some persons are perturbed by the building of the new Chapel of the Divinity School, fearing that it will be a competitor of St. Philip's and St. Mary's.

To set fears at rest, it may be said that the only competition possible would require more persons to rise early, than now attend our early services! The only Sunday service to be held in the new Chapel will be an early celebration of the Holy Communion.

The other services which will be arranged are to be subject to the approval of the Rectors and Wardens of St. Mary's and St. Philip's, according to an agreement made ("signed, sealed and delivered"), by the officials of the Divinity School and the two neighboring parishes.

There will be no parochial organization connected with the new Chapel. Courses of sermons by eminent preachers from all over the world will ultimately be given, at times approved as aforesaid.

DIVINITY SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

The Commencement exercises of the Philadelphia Divinity School will be held in St. Philip's Church on Thursday, June 4, beginning with a celebration of Holy Communion at 10 A. M. and Commencement Service at 2.45, the preacher being the Rt. Rev. John C. Ward, D.D., Bishop of Erie.

The cornerstone of the new Chapel at Forty-second and Spruce streets is to be laid at 4.30 that afternoon.



A CONFERENCE FOR CHURCH WORK

A little pause in ordinary days,
A brief withdrawal from the busy ways
In which our feet must go. A space to find
Refreshment for the soul, food for the mind,
New knowledge gained from those who gladly give
Not knowledge only, but themselves in truth
To vivify the spoken word; to live
One household, men and women, age and youth,
From homes the whole wide continent apart,
Of interests manifold, yet one in heart
As those that love their Lord; each giving of his store
Experience, inspiration; gaining more
Than e'er he gives. The morning, as is meet,
Is ushered in with sacrifice of praise
And blest Communion; midday prayer ascends
For all Christ's world; and so in ordered ways
The day is given to Him, and evening ends
With cares and joys of day laid at His feet.
Grant to us, Lord, to whom Thou giv'st to share
This life of work and friendliness and prayer,
Thy grace and strength, and send us forth again
To make Thee known more truly unto men.

Mary E. Thomas.

THOUGHTS ON PRAYER

Preached in St. Philip's on Rogation
Sunday

Talking—the gift of speech—one of the distinguishing marks between men and animals.

Intelligent speech implies Mind, Thought, etc.

Speech—a comfort—safety-valve. Pent up feeling unexpressed cause distress, melancholy, etc.

Expression of feelings to another, relieves pressure, produces sympathy, causes encouragement, inspiration, endurance, as case may be.

In our troubles, the greatest relief is found in telling our confidant.

In our sins, the greatest relief is found in telling God, or His agent.

In our joys, the gladness is increased by telling others. Rejoice with me. . . .

We find from experience that burdens are divided and joys multiplied, as we talk about them to a sympathetic listener, and wise friend.

That, in a very real sense, is PRAYER.

A communion of kindred souls, for fellowship, counsel, assistance, inspiration.

Prayer is both talking and listening. As usually applied, it is speaking to God, as to our Father, and listening to Him speak to us.

Our baptismal relationship with Him means that we not only belong to Him and believe in Him, but that we want to serve Him.

Then our human infirmity steps in to remind us that many things in this life are beyond our ability—and the obligations of our relationship among them. We need help and strength.

Our conscience tells us where that help can be obtained—from God.

The church informs us that help from God can only come through "diligent prayer" (uttered or unexpressed) and because we belong to God we have the privilege of talking to Him, at any time, intimately, affectionately, unrestrainedly, humbly—and He will listen to us

though if we expect answers, we must not talk all the time, but we must listen to God. "Be still then and know that I am God." Many of us talk too much both to God and to our neighbors. Let God come to you in periods of silence. Be still and absorb God.

The voice which God has given us can be used in various degrees—the loud, joyful tones of praise and thanksgiving; the low whisper of penitent confession; the normal tone of intercession and petition.

Prayer is the organization of unsatisfied desire, so that God may work through it for the end desired.

It is the activity of will and mind and feeling which makes us the natural channel through which good effects flow to those for whom we pray.

Prayer is personal influence at its highest point of efficiency, and widest point of distribution, for in intercession we are distributing ourselves instantly and everywhere.

Prayer is not asking God to change the course of things, but asking Him to help us to be a part of that course of things—to change us, not His will.

Answer always comes, abundantly satisfying all who dare persistently to carry out the art of praying. (Possibly not answered as we expect.) We may pray for money. Answer may be ability to get up earlier, or keep awake at work, or learn some better business, or reduce expenses—for prayer always initiates effort, and it is useless to pray unless we intend to work.

Prayer is for God's grace—help.

Grace is two-fold; prevenient and co-operative.

Prevenient: Coming before and disposing us toward right.

Co-operative: Helping us to carry good desires into effect.

Special grace: Specific help to do right and avoid wrong in particular cases.

Laws of prayer: Diligence, Penitence, Conformity.

Power of Prayer: We can do more than pray after prayer. We cannot do more than pray, until prayer.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The Corporate Communion of the Church School, held annually on the Sunday nearest to St. Philip's Day, was attended by about 50 persons.

Following the service, 30 members of the school had breakfast in the Parish House.

The thanks of the school are cordially given to Mrs. Seymour, who planned the meal, and also to Mrs. Riegner, Miss Neumann, Miss King, Miss Elisabeth Eyer, Mrs. Edwards, who assisted in the work.

Again our thanks are extended to Scott-Powell and to Kolb's for a generous gift of milk and cream and rolls.



LENTEN OFFERING

On May 10, the Church Schools of the Diocese of Pennsylvania presented the largest offering ever presented by pupils for the cause of Missions. Over \$66,000 were given. Bishop Garland expressed his pleasure and thanks to the pupils and officers of the schools who had given such hope and encouragement to the whole church.

St. Philip's School contributed \$558.13—a splendid amount considering our somewhat smaller enrollment.

The following sums were given:

Lower School	\$105.79
Grammar Department	63.41
Junior High Department . .	104.75
Senior High Department . .	181.81
Young People's Society . .	17.82
Contributions	30.11
Missionary Envelopes	54.44
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	\$558.13



SCHOOL PICNIC

The annual Church School Picnic will take place on Saturday, June 6.

We are going to Valley Forge again—at the enthusiastic suggestion of pupils and faculty—where we had such a "good time" last year.

Mrs. Rosborough has arranged a good athletic program. Mr. Flanders will be in charge of the events. Mrs. Riegner has selected the prizes.

Mrs. Edwards will be in charge of pupils in the Lower School.

Mr. Childs will have general oversight. All teachers should be present to assist in the care of pupils.

Parents are also invited.

Plan to attend. Reserve the date. Take your lunch.

We leave the Parish House at 10 o'clock.

CHURCH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

The annual commencement of our Church School and promotion of pupils entitled to promotion will take place on Trinity Sunday, June 7, at 9.45 A. M. Parents and others are cordially invited.



Vacation should not be a Vacancy.
Holidays should not be Hollow days.
Make your Vacation a true—

F ood
E xercise
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SUMMER WORK

Pupils of the Church School are asked to memorize the following selections during the summer.

During "Religious Education Week," October 18 to 25, it is planned that a recital of this memory work shall take place.

Lower School—Psalm 23, Hymn 363, "There's a Friend for Little Children."

Grammar Grades (5 and 6)—Psalm 121, Hymn 348, "Advent Tells Us Christ Is Near."

Junior High (7, 8, 9)—Beatitudes, St. Matt. 5:3-12, Hymn 356, "Fairest Lord Jesus."

Senior High (10, 11, 12)—Psalm of Love, I Cor. 13; Hymn 493, "O Master Let Me Walk With Thee."

ALL PUPILS:

Prayer on entering church: "O Lord, I am now in Thy holy House. Keep my thoughts from wandering. Help me to worship Thee with heart and voice, and listen humbly to Thy holy Word, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Church School Prayer—"O God, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the gift of Thy dear Son. Grant that we who have received Him in our hearts may joyfully go forth with Him on many errands. Bless those who toil for Thee in far off places; comfort them in their loneliness, and unite our work to theirs. Accept our gifts; receive our prayers, and use us for the sake of Thy Son Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

Allegiance to the Cross—"I pledge allegiance to the Cross and to the Church for which it stands, for I am not ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto my life's end."

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Change of Time for Church School.

After conference with parents, teachers and vestry, it has been decided to change the time of the Church School session from 9.45 to 11 A. M. commencing September 20, when the school re-opens.

Reasons for the change:

1. The Church School is frequently regarded as a substitute for the Church, comparatively few pupils attending Church services.

2. The pupils receive little practice in WORSHIP.

3. The psychological effect of pupils going away from Church as adults are going to Church is bad for both.

Purpose of the change:

1. To enable parents and children to come to Church together, or at the same time, and to go home at the same time. This should develop family religion.

2. To familiarize pupils with Church services by actual participation.

3. Parents of very young children may bring their children and have them cared for in the Church School while they (parents) attend the service.

4. The increased number, adults and children, in attendance at Church will be an inspiration to all.

Plan.

Pupils and parents will come to church at 11 o'clock.

Upper School pupils (fifth grade and upwards) will attend Church service with parents or teachers until after Morning Prayer, when pupils will leave to enter parish house for lesson period.

Lower School pupils (fourth grade and upwards) will assemble in the parish

house for a worship period until Upper School enters, then have a lesson period of 40 minutes.

On FIRST Sundays in the month the order will be reversed for the Upper School—the lesson period will come first, in the parish house, and pupils will enter Church at 11.45 for the Communion service (proper).

Lower School pupils may attend the worship periods in Church if their parents so desire.

Duration of periods:

Worship, 30 minutes, from 11 to 11.30.

Lesson, 40 minutes, from 11.30 to 12.10.

Parents are asked to co-operate in securing punctual attendance. Every minute will be valuable and unnecessary delays will cause confusion.



A GARDEN HYMN

Molly Anderson Haley.

I never knew Thee, Lord, until
My garden brought us face to face,
Revealed Thy gracious miracle
Of sun and seed in little space.

Since I have seen Thine alchemy
Change the earth-brown bulbs to living
gold
Of daffodils, Eternity
Has seemed a simple truth to hold.

The incense-breath of mignonette
Has summoned me to vespers too,
And may I nevermore forget
To lift my heart as pansies do!

No dim cathedral is as still
As twilight in this holy place;
I never knew Thee, Lord, until
My garden brought us face to face.
—The Christian Century.

ACTIVITY

The Church School faculty has agreed to send Christmas gifts to 25 Chinese children by October 15 and for 50 children in the United States by December 1, also to contribute \$5 for St. Paul's University, Tokyo, Japan, for Christmas gifts. These three items will be part of the activity of the Church School for next season.

Each child is to receive a "useful" gift and a "joyful" gift.

Please be ready to give or make suitable gifts.



THE GARDEN

"A child is a beautiful garden,
Where rare, charming blossoms will
grow,
If we choose well and carefully nurture
The choicest of seeds we should sow.

"There are seeds of fun and of pleasure,
And seeds of a sweet, smiling face,
To lighten and brighten the shadows
Which come as we join in Life's race.

"There are lovely and nobler seeds,
many;
Seeds of gentleness, patience and
truth,
Of unselfishness, honesty, diligence,
To be trained in the Garden of Youth.

"Then the blossoms of Love and True
Reverence
For God and His blessings in Life
Should give joy and exquisite pleasure,
In this world sometimes darkened by
strife.

"Put a guard in this Garden of Child-
hood
Who will lovingly watch every bud,
Till it grows in full, perfect beauty,
To transplant in the Garden of God."
ELEANOR G. CORRELL.

MEDITATION

And He Shall Be Like a Tree That Is
Planted by the Rivers of Water.

Green are their leaves, oh Lord, whose
roots are deep in Thee. Down in that
dark and secret place, out of sight, hear-
ing and touch, near deep-flowing streams
of Love, would I send my roots. No
drought can slacken the flow of those
deep waters fountained in Love, what
dryness or lack shall I fear? Though
rain shall cease on earth, they shall never
fail.

Overhead stretch my branches of vis-
ible life; in the sight of men I move,
speak and carry on my business. Yet no
wider shall the spread of those branches
be than are the hidden roots fed by inner
waters of Life. Together they extend—
the inner life with God, the outer life
with man.

Sometimes I bear flowers of beauty,
sometimes fruit of usefulness; or I
burgeon into leaves beautiful for green-
ness, and necessary to the life of the
trees; it matters not what I bear, all
have their source in the hidden waters in
the deep places, which the alchemy of
the Spirit transmutes into outward sub-
stance.

Winters come when all my life is in
the roots, when there is little outward
sign of the inner life I am living with
God. Then springtime follows with its
new and abounding growth and the Life
which I have perpetuates itself con-
stantly. New rootlets seek life at the
hidden source and a new tree of right-
eousness is born—the planting of the
Lord.

—Edith Armstrong Talbot.



Because a book deals with religious
subjects does not mean that it is dry or
uninteresting. Christianity is full of in-
tense romance and mystery and adven-
ture and heroism.

A WEEK'S WORK

Some years ago a little girl asked the Rector what his business was. He replied that he was a clergyman. "But," said she, "what do you do during the week?"

The following schedule of a typical week's work may be interesting:

Monday, 9.15—10.15—Service.

2—3 P. M.—Interview with printer.

3—5 P. M.—Faculty meeting.

8—9 P. M.—Community meeting.

Tuesday, 1.45—3.30 P. M.—Burial.

5—6 P. M.—Conference.

7—9 P. M.—Teaching.

Wednesday, 9.30—12.30—Teaching.

2—4.30 P. M.—Calling.

Thursday, 9.15—10.15—Service.

10.15—10.45—Hospital call.

10.45—11.15—Printer.

11.15—11.30—Committee meeting.

11.30—12.30—Teaching.

3—5.30—Executive Council meeting.

5.30—9.30—Teaching.

Friday, 2.45—4—Calling.

4—5.30—Confirmation instructions.

5.45—6.15—Emergency sick call.

Saturday, 2.30—4.30—Calling.

Eleven of these engagements were parochial, six were diocesan, one was provincial, one community, and one of a general nature.

It will be remembered that Bishop Garland pointed out in his convention address that a clergyman has duties beyond his parish. Most parish priests have difficulty in adjusting their time to do all their duty to all their responsibilities.

Besides the foregoing definite engagements, two sermons must be prepared, a Church School lesson studied, correspondence and numerous phone calls answered, some personal calls received, the "Record" prepared for publication monthly, series of addresses arranged and general parish affairs supervised.

Sundays are of course busy, from 7.15 A. M. to 9.30 P. M. Clergymen to do observe "union hours." Sunday afternoons are often free.

Mondays are usually busier than Sundays and each succeeding day grows busier.

Time for study and general reading

and thinking has to be squeezed in at odd moments, if at all.

What time is left—after all these things have been done—may be spent with one's family!

This is not inserted here in a boasting nor a complaining spirit. Work is a joy. This schedule is a typical normal week's program for the average Rector.



IN A GARDEN

By Evelyn Atwater Cummins.

I think that in a garden

God walks the earth again:

A garden seems cleansed by His touch
And unprofaned by men.

The flowers seem expectant

And look to heaven above,

As if waiting for the blessing

Of Him they know and love.

The song birds love a garden

And make of it a shrine,

For they gather there to worship,

And sing of things divine.

The trees are like an altar,

Alight with sunlight gleams—

The dusk and dawn are acolytes—

The light at night, moonbeams.

The flowers spread their incense

As they swing to and fro—

In the breeze, knowing His presence,

They make obeisance low.

I think that in a garden

God sends His peace to men,

And that 'mid the flowers' beauty,

He walks the earth again.



A PRAYER FOR THE TIMES

O Thou King immortal, invisible, the only wise God our Saviour; hasten the coming of Thy kingdom upon earth and draw the whole world of mankind into willing obedience to Thy blessed reign. Overcome all the enemies of Christ and bring low every power that is exalted against Him. Cast out all evil things that cause wars and fightings among us. Establish every work that is founded on truth and equity, and fulfil all the good desires of Thy people. Manifest Thy will, Almighty Father, in the brotherhood of man and bring in universal peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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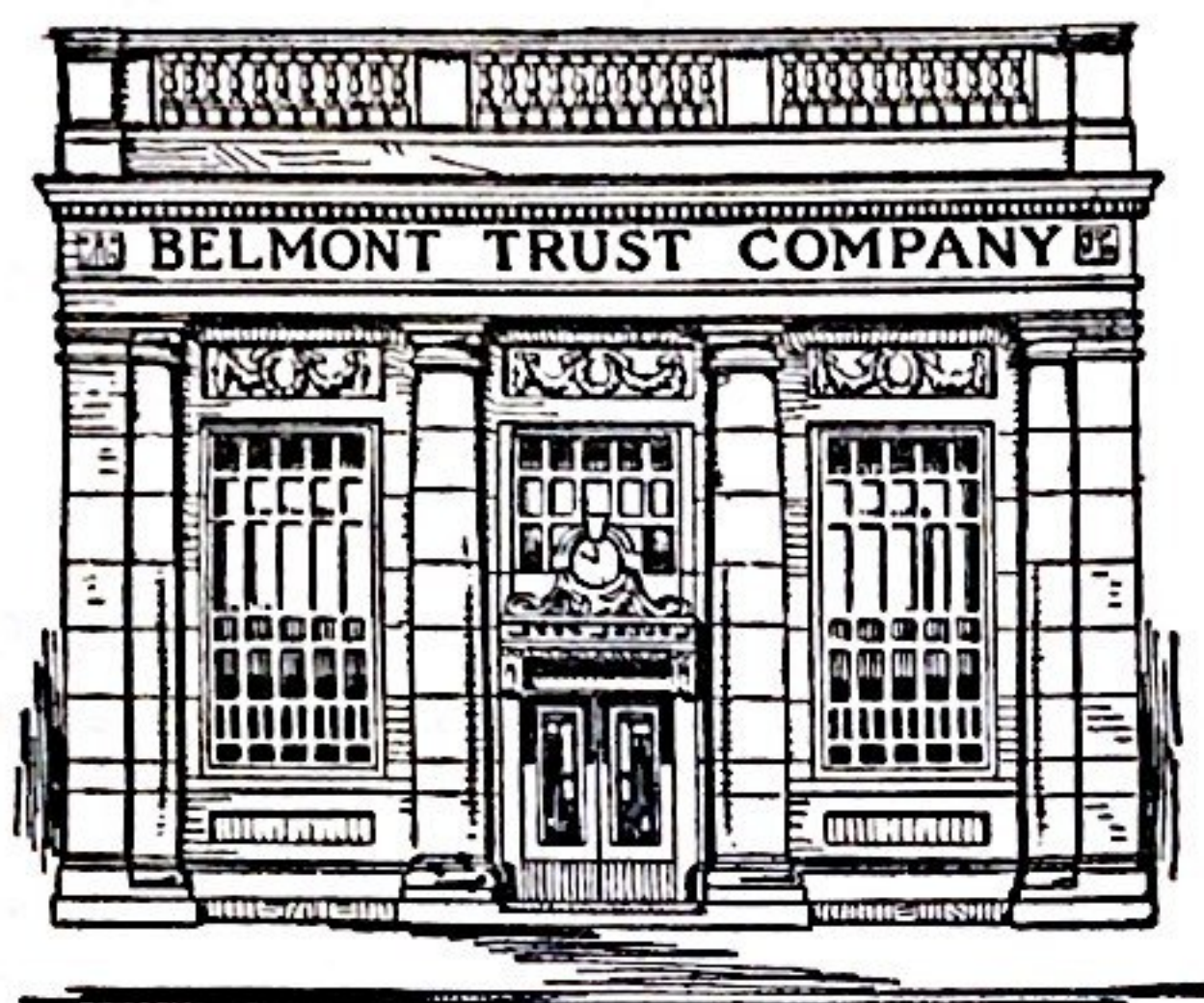
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7.45 P. M. Evening Service

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and
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CALENDAR

September.

- 6. 13th Sunday after Trinity.
- 13. 14th Sunday after Trinity.
- 16, 18, 19. Ember Days.
- 20. 15th Sunday after Trinity.
- 21. St. Matthew's Day.
- 27. 16th Sunday after Trinity.
- 29. St. Michael and All Angels.

October.

- 4. 17th Sunday after Trinity.

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PARISH REGISTER

Baptisms.

- June 20—Martha Jane Werkheiser.
- June 28—Wade Carter Weikal.

Marriages.

- June 3—Walter Royer Lake and Dorothy Lenore Oviatt.
- June 19—Percy Ricard West and Helen Turner Stevenson.
- June 20—George W. Lodge and Dorothy Louise Evans.
- June 27—William Joseph Lambert and Pearl Ruth Evans.
- June 30—Wade Carter Weikal and Dorothy Hunter.

Burials.

- June 7—Elizabeth Russell Terry.
- July 18—Maria L. B. Ashburner.

Communicants Transferred.

- May 30—Mrs. Baird S. Cooper to St. John's Church, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Carlotta Herring Browne to St. Paul's Cathedral, Los Angeles, Calif.

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ALTAR FLOWERS

Miss A. M. Christman is in charge of the Sanctuary during September.

Memorial flowers are provided as follows:

First Sunday—Mrs. A. E. Vanderwoode.

Second Sunday—Mrs. M. T. Ringer.

Third Sunday—Rev. F. E. Seymour.

Fourth Sunday—Mrs. G. W. Caldwell.

It is fitting that flowers should be placed also on the Chapel Altar.

If anyone desires Memorial Sundays please consult Miss Christman.

IN MEMORIUM

Miss Ashburner.

Again it is our sad duty to record the death of a prominent worker of the Parish.

On July 16, after a brief illness, Miss Ashburner was called to her rest.

The rest was well-deserved, for she had "borne the burden and heat" of a long day, being 88 years old, and working faithfully for the Master until the very end of her life here on earth.

In St. Philip's, her chief interest was the Mothers' Meeting, which met regularly throughout the winter on Tuesday evenings, bringing together a group of earnest women for active work, for religious stimulus and for social intercourse.

"Miss Molly" will be sorely missed, but her influence will continue, for she planted the good seed wisely in the lives of all with whom she came in contact, and the seed will grow and bring forth much fruit.

Miss Ashburner linked together the present St. Philip's with the former Trinity Church, Maylandville, with which she and many of the Mothers' Meeting had been connected.

Diligent in her duties, unremitting in her labors, regular (in spite of weather, and of advanced age) at meetings, faithful at Church, she has heard the voice of Him Whom she loved say "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

May God grant her eternal rest and may light perpetual shine upon her.

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A PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

O Blessed Jesus, have mercy on Thy Holy Church and take care of it, and make all Christians to be one, in Thine own good time. Amen.

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Contrition closes the eyes towards other's sins and opens them upon one's own.—Maturin.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

SEPTEMBER

Working in the Kingdom.

6. Different Gifts, Rom. 12:4-16.
7. Generosity, II Cor. 9.
8. Neighborliness, St. James 2.
9. Application, I Cor. 9:13-27.
10. Vision, Isa. 6:1-8.
11. Protection, Isa. 43:1-21.
12. Mission, St. Luke 10:1-9.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who hast promised Thy presence and power to all who obey Thy command to tell the world of Thy love, bless we pray Thee our effort to strengthen and extend the work of our Parish. To all who shall take any part in our plans give wisdom and zeal. Bind our people in a closer fellowship. If any have grown careless, help us to lead them back to Thy house that their love for Thee may be renewed. Teach us to pray, labor and give more faithfully for the extension of Thy Kingdom among men. Of Thy mercy we ask this, O Blessed Saviour of the world, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

Co-operation in Religion.

13. Value of Co-operation, Ex. 17:8-16.
14. Leader and Assistants, Ex. 18:22-27.
15. Successors in the Work, St. Matt. 10:1-15.
16. Lessons in Co-operation, St. Luke 10:1-20.
17. Division of Labor, Acts 6:1-6.
18. Fellow-workers, Rom. 16:1-24.
19. Spirit of Co-operation, Gal. 6:1-11.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Redeemer of our race; Grant unto us, men and women, so rightly to understand our relations to one another and to Thee, that we may abide in perfect purity of heart and life; and may also instruct and strengthen Thy little ones to resist the corruption that is in the world, that they may attain at last to Thy glorious kingdom of light and love; who with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen.

Religious Education.

20. God Speaks to Us, I Sam. 3:1-10.
21. Beginning of Wisdom, Prov. 1:2-9.
22. Duty of Man, Eccles. 12:9-14.
23. Development, St. Luke, 2:40-52.
24. True Greatness, St. Mark, 9:33-37.
25. Dignity of Childhood, St. Mark 10:13-16.
26. A Boy's Adventure, Gen. 37.

For Schools and Colleges.

Lord Jesus, Who at Thy first coming didst summon Thy servants, and after training, didst send them to prepare Thy way before Thee, look down, we beseech Thee, upon our Schools, Colleges and Universities, and in this hour of opportunity let Thy special favor and guidance rest upon them. Root out all error and whatsoever is contrary to Thy Holy Will. Implant in every student an increasing hunger after Thy truth and longing to lead others to Thee. Let pure knowledge and a reverent study of Thy Holy Word prevail. Pour out Thy Holy Spirit upon the coming generation of students and grant that they may consecrate themselves to the highest learning, and to Thy service at home or abroad. O Thou Lord of the harvest, prepare Thine own laborers and send them forth into Thy harvest. Hear us, Thou Lover of souls, we humbly beseech Thee. Amen.

Guardian Angels.

27. Angels of the Annunciation, St. Luke 1:8-38.
28. Angels of the Nativity, St. Luke 2:8-14.
29. Angels of the Temptation, St. Matt. 4:1-11.
30. Angels of the Passion, St. Luke 22:39-43.

October.

1. Angels of the Resurrection, St. Matt. 28:1-10.
2. Angels of the Ascension, Acts 1:6-11.
3. Guardian Angels, St. Matt. 18:1-10.

O Everlasting God, Who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order; Mercifully grant that, as Thy holy Angels always do Thee service in heaven, so, by Thy appointment, they may succor and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

We are now resuming our wonted activities in home, school, business and in the Parish.

We have been refreshed by rest and recreation. We have acquired new perspectives of our work, and we have thought of new plans for its accomplishment.

We commence with new vigor, determined that past successes shall continue and increase, that past mistakes shall be avoided.

The Fall is an enthusiastic season in parish life, when each one feels most like contributing to the common cause, the benefits derived from a vacation.

New ideas, new plans, new tasks, new methods are all before us.

Let us meet them joyfully and determinedly, consecrating our best in mind and strength to Christ and His Church.

A new plan described in this issue is to be undertaken by the Church School. It may cause a few minor changes in the morning service. Your sympathetic and patient co-operation is requested.

A new plan, presented to the societies in the Spring, and printed in the June "Record," is being considered, and may be adopted (with modifications) this coming Winter.

The outlook for a good season's work is promising.

Some features of that work should be emphasized, such as Confirmation, Religious Education, Church attendance, Church support, our missionary obligation, our work in the community, with its changing but increasing population.

To these details, and to our whole work, let us address ourselves unitedly, with resolution and good courage.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

Confirmation.

The Bishop of the Diocese will visit St. Philip's to administer Confirmation on Wednesday evening, December 16.

Definite instructions will commence early in October, but this preliminary announcement is made so that all who are not confirmed may prepare themselves by meditation and prayer.

The privilege of Confirmation is great. It means close and intimate companionship with the Holy Spirit, the Strengthening, through Him, fellowship with the Saviour through Whom we gain union with the Father.

The greatest benefits come after the most thorough preparation.

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Thanks.

Our hearty thanks are extended to the Rev. W. W. Steel and the Rev. C. Estonelle, who have conducted the services during July and August.

Religious Education Week.

During the third week in October, a series of meetings in the interests of Religious Education will be arranged for the Parish.

It is expected that every organization will be included, for Religious Education is not a matter for children only or chiefly, but for every member of the Church.

Please reserve this week, and let your minds be prepared by anticipation of the conferences, to "bring forth fruit."

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September Services

There will be two services each Sunday during September:

7.30 A. M. Holy Communion.

11.00 A. M. Morning service.

The evening service will be resumed on October 4. The weekday services will be resumed on St. Michael's Day, September 29.

DEVOTIONS AT COMMUNION

By the Rev. Jos. Cullen Ayer, D.D.

During the Communion Service, especially when there are many communicants, there are times when those present seem to have no immediate part in the service. They have not yet received the Holy Communion and are waiting their turn to go up to the Lord's Table, or they have returned to their seats and are waiting for the conclusion of the service. For many it is an awkward pause, but there is no good reason why it should be such. It is an exceptionally good opportunity for private devotions and the time can be easily filled with such spiritual exercises as will make the service far more helpful than merely waiting can ever make it.

In the matter of private devotions, there is in the first place the opportunity for private prayer in connection with the Communion. This need not be reading of collects. In fact it is far better not to be tied down to these or any other set forms. And it must be confessed that in regard to the collects, while some of them may thus be used, others are quite inappropriate; so short, so general, so impersonal are they that they do not supply the devotional necessity of the average individual. Let one pray therefore from the heart, expressing before God one's own soul's wants, and aspirations, burdens and sorrows. One is about to receive that sacrament in which above all other forms of worship is a communion with the Lord who himself instituted it. Here, indeed, is a time above all others for examining one's conscience before, or thanking God for his mercies after receiving the Communion.

Many, however, find it hard thus to pray, at least for any length of time. Some have never acquired the habit of personal prayer, some are little trained in the religious life. They need something to stir their thoughts, or more often to guide them. Now nothing can take the place of personal prayer in the

religious life, but there is much that can help in cultivating a devout state of mind which will sooner or later express itself with increasing freedom. There are many helps to devotion, and some are nearer to hand than is recognized. One does not always need some special book of devotions for the Holy Communion, though there are several excellent manuals, which have been found helpful to many. These manuals taken as a whole are all issued privately and therefore have only the authority of their authors. Some others, it must be confessed, are exceedingly narrow and some present extreme doctrine which is nowhere taught in the authoritative utterances of the Church. When they are free from these defects, they are often keyed too high in emotional feeling for the average communicant. One wonders in regard to them whether they have their origin in practical religious experience or are artificially compiled. Now right at hand there is a wonderful book of devotion, admirably adapted to the use of the communicant, approved by the Church, put into our hands as a means of expressing our heart's deepest religious emotions, and based upon the religious experience of all the ages. That book of devotion is the Hymnal. How many have ever thought of the Hymnal in that way, or in any way except as an aid to follow singing? It is a collection of some of the finest poetry in existence, and poetry, be it remembered, is above all forms of literature the expression of the heart and its feelings. That is exactly what one wants to be aided in during the service. The next time there is a celebration of the Holy Communion and one has to spend time in private devotions, let one read thoughtfully the hymns appointed for the Holy Communion, including the Introits. There are several fine Litanies in the book which can be used devotionally. But nearly all the hymns have their place either in adoration, thanksgiving, penitence, in short, in every respect of the religious life.—Epiphany Star.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

As announced in the June "Record" the Church School will reopen on September 20, at 11 o'clock, instead of at 9.45.

Pupils should enter the Church a few minutes before 11, in order to take part in the service. At 11.25 the members of the Church School will leave the Church and go to the Parish House for classes which will end at the same time as the Church service.

It is hoped that parents will find this new plan more convenient to them. They can bring their young children with them and take them home. A feeling of mutual interest in religious matters should grow up in the parish.

In some cases, the new arrangement may be less convenient than the old, but the Rector asks that all concerned will give the plan a fair trial and will really try to make it as successful with us as it is in other parishes where it has been inaugurated.



Church School Service League.

Trinity Church School, Wuchang, Hupeh, China, is depending on us for some Christmas gifts.

There are five boys and five girls between five and eight years old; five boys about 14, and five boys and five girls between 16 and 18.

We should send a "joyful" gift to each as well as a "useful" one, 50 gifts in all.

Suggestions: School supplies, woolen stockings, handkerchiefs, toys (small and light) barettes, cloth for making garments, dolls (with removable clothes), etc.

The box must be mailed by the middle of October.

THEREFORE we must prepare the gifts quickly.

Will each pupil please bring some suitable present (unwrapped) by the first Sunday in October?

Church School Picnic.

On June 6, two overcrowded busses took a happy crowd of pupils, teachers and some parents away from the terrific heat of the city to Valley Forge, where, in the grove near the Chapel, the annual picnic took place amid the cool breezes under the shade of the trees.

After lunch the Committee on Arrangements gave a splendid program of sports, awarding prizes to those named below.

Our picnics are growing in size and in interest each year. The next one is scheduled for Saturday, June 5, 1926. Plan to be on hand!

100-Yard Dash.

Boys

Harry Seymour.

Girls

Esther Graham (Class No. 1).
Dorothy Wolf (Class No. 2).

Wheelbarrow Race.

Boys

Joe Hamilton (Class No. 1).
Gordon Hodge (Class No. 1).
Jack Seymour (Class No. 2).
Edward Wolf (Class No. 2).

Girls

Edith Seymour (Class No. 1).
Dorothy Wolf (Class No. 1).
Helen Reese (Class No. 2).
Catherine Stewart (Class No. 2).

Three-Legged Race.

Boys

Joe Hamilton (Class No. 1).
Gordon Hodge (Class No. 1).
Jack Seymour (Class No. 2).
Edward Wolf (Class No. 2).
Lawrence Rile (Class No. 3).
Wyatt Rosborough (Class No. 3).

Girls

Adelaide Wright (Class No. 1).
Peggy Cardeza (Class No. 1).

Hopping Race.

(Small Girls)

Juliett Cairns.

Running Race.

(Small Girls)

Jacqueline Van Nostrand (Class No. 1).
Dorothy Narazzi (Class No. 2).

Running Broad Jump.

Boys

Harry Seymour.

Standing Broad Jump.

Boys

David Connor.

Girls

Catherine Stewart.

CHURCH SCHOOL CALENDAR

1925-1926

September.

15. Faculty Conference, 6 P. M.
20. Opening Session, 11 A. M.

October.

5. Annual Church School Institute (St. James' Guild House, 2210 Sansom street).
18-24. Religious Education Week.
20. Faculty Conference, 6 P. M. Parent-Teachers' Meeting, 8 P. M.
30. Hallowe'en Party for Senior School, 8 P. M.
31. Hallowe'en Party for Lower School, 3 P. M.

November.

24. Faculty Conference, 6 P. M.
26. Thanksgiving Day. Church Service (Offering of Provisions for the Door of Blessings, of Money for the Episcopal Hospital).
29. Jan. 6. Offering for Diocesan Missions.

December.

16. Confirmation, 8 P. M.
22. Faculty Conference, 6 P. M.
25. Christmas Day. Church Service.
27. Carol Service, 11 A. M.
28. Christmas Party for Entire School.

January.

9. Diocesan Presentation of Bishop's Brick Fund.
25. Parent-Teachers' Meeting, 8 P. M.
26. Faculty Conference, 6 P. M.

February.

7. Sexagesima Sunday. Distribution of Missionary Boxes.
12. Valentine Party for Entire School.
17. Ash Wednesday. Children's Service, 4.30 P. M.
17. April 3. Offerings for Missions.
19, 26. Children's Services, 4.30 P. M.
23. Faculty Conference, 6 P. M.

March.

- 5, 12, 19, 26. Children's Services, 4.30 P. M.
23. Faculty Conference, 6 P. M.
28. Palm Sunday. Blessing of Palms, 11 A. M.

April.

2. Good Friday. Three-Hour Service, 12-3 P. M.
4. Easter Day. Carol Service and Presentation of Lenten Offering, 4 P. M. No morning session of School.
26. Parent-Teachers' Meeting, 8 P. M.
27. Faculty Conference, 6 P. M.

May.

1. St. Philip's Day. Offering for Christ School, Arden, N. C.
2. Corporate Communion of Church School, 7.30 A. M.
9. Examinations. Diocesan Presentation of Missionary Offering (Holy Trinity Church, 4 P. M.).
13. Ascension Day. Offering for College Settlement Picnic Fund.
25. Faculty Conference, 6 P. M.
30. Whitsunday Festival. Presentation of Birthday Thank Offering.

June.

5. Picnic for School.
6. Trinity Sunday. Church School Commencement, 11 A. M.

August.

6. Feast of Transfiguration. Parish Remembrance Day.

September.

19. Church School reopens, 11 A. M.

The Y. P. S.

The Young Peoples' Society of St. Philip's Church will resume its meetings in the Parish House on Sunday, October 4. All the young people of the church over 16 are cordially invited to attend.

During these meetings an effort will be made to develop the spiritual as well as the social side of the character. We are planning many interesting discussions which will appeal directly to the young people.

Supper will be served at 6 o'clock at the opening meeting and on the first Sunday in every month throughout the season.

The officers elected for the term are: President, Charlotte Eyer; Vice President, Joseph Hamilton; Secretary, Eleanor Corliss. C. E.



The early Communion is the only real way to commence a Sunday's happiness. Why don't the rest of you learn this from those that already begin the day thus? Quiet, peaceful, fresh, new are the moments you find then in your life. I saw some of my fine friends, as I was nearing the Church one Sunday morning early, whisking away in a machine on, very probably, some pleasure bent. And I was glad they could go. The day was made for their happiness. But I was sorry that they felt they could begin their pleasures with no apparent reference to their Creator's praise nor to their Master's invitation. Somehow, it did not seem quite fair to Him. The day is for your betterment. In it you ought to feel bound for your own recreation of body and mind, and your soul, too. Do you know a better way to "refreshen you" (your soul) than to resort to the Sanctuary?

Plan your Sundays. And may your plans always include your beginning with your Communion at the Altar. I know you will be glad you have done so.—J. C. Poland, Jr.

AN APPEAL FROM BISHOP BEECHER

The Rt. Rev. George Allen Beecher, Bishop of Missionary District of Western Nebraska, has visited St. Philip's on two occasions to administer Confirmation.

He is in the process of erecting a Cathedral in Hastings, Neb.

The building is complete as far as the window arches. "We are paying our bills as we build," Bishop Beecher writes. "We are now waiting for a sufficient amount of money to insure the payment of the next unit, which would be the completion of the walls and the roof. We owe nothing on this property thus far. We are desirous of avoiding the encumbrance of a large debt."

The Bishop would be much pleased if every person whom he has confirmed would help in the work of building a Cathedral.

Amounts contributed for this purpose by any so disposed, would apply on "priorities" and so credited to the Parish.

In the face of many appeals, and in our own parochial and Diocesan needs, I hesitate to present this request. Yet there is a significant feature about it which I hope will appeal. The Bishop has given some "spiritual things" to members of this Parish. Here is an opportunity for them to give to him something which will enable him and his successors to magnify the Name of Christ by the erection of a worthy Church building.

"If we have sown unto you spiritual things," wrote St. Paul, "is it a great matter if we shall reap worldly things?" In this case the "wordly things" will be the means of transmitting "spiritual things" to "our brethren 'neath the Western sky."

I shall be glad to forward any gifts to Bishop Beecher.

F. E. S.

IN ADORATION

Before Thine altar-throne in adoration,
Throughout the world, their songs Thy
Children raise;

From north and south, from east and
west outpouring

One stream of praise.

We thank Thee, Lord, for This Thy
priceless Treasure,

The Body broken and the Life-blood
shed:

The Angels' food from Heaven to earth
descending—

The soul's True Bread.

Thy courts on earth resound today with
anthems,

The courts of Heaven with alleluias
ring:

Join we our songs with angels and arch-
angels,

To praise our King.

—Ethel Miller, in Living Church.



THE BOY AND THE FATHER

"The father, whose attitude toward religion preaches a continuous sermon to the boy—more powerful than the sermons delivered from any pulpit—is too apt to let his influence be at least a negative one. The boy very quickly assimilates the father's appraisal of the worth of the Christian religion. If it is not a living force of the father's life, if worship be not a duty strong enough to counteract the father's natural desire to play golf or go motoring on a pleasant Sunday, the son quickly relegates it to at least a secondary place. The father who does not practice his religion to its fullest extent, by regular participation in worship and regular communions as well as by letting it dominate every-day life, is helping to remove the impetus of the Christian religion from the son's life. Now nobody knows better than the

middle-aged father what are the temptations that are coming, if not immediately present, to his son; and it is a fact that a vital religion is the strongest force to counteract those temptations. The father who, by his example, weakens the force of the boy's religion, assumes thereby the responsibility for making it more difficult to resist temptation. Fathers need not think it strange if their sons fall into sin as a consequence."—Selected.



WANDERING THOUGHTS

Wandering thoughts are only the echoes of the world made more noticeable by the quiet in which you find yourself. If you do not worry they will die down and a healing stillness will reign in your soul. And as for a temporary inability to pray, it may be met by practicing the art of remaining silent. If you cannot speak to God, it may be God's opportunity to speak to you. Thousands of Christian mystics have loved the words, "Be still, and know that I am God," because they have learned how; when a man's eyes are averted from worldly things and directed in silence into his own heart, the presence of God in the soul becomes a realized and experienced fact. "One needs no telescope to look into heaven; turn away from the world, and the thing is done." Also a short ejaculatory prayer repeated over and over again, "Come, Holy Ghost, and fill the heart of Thy servant," or "Lord, hear my prayer," or any other similar short petition, helps some people. Do whatever you find helps you most, and soon, much sooner perhaps than you expect, you will find the soul displaying a wonderful freshness and elasticity and power.—Peter Green.

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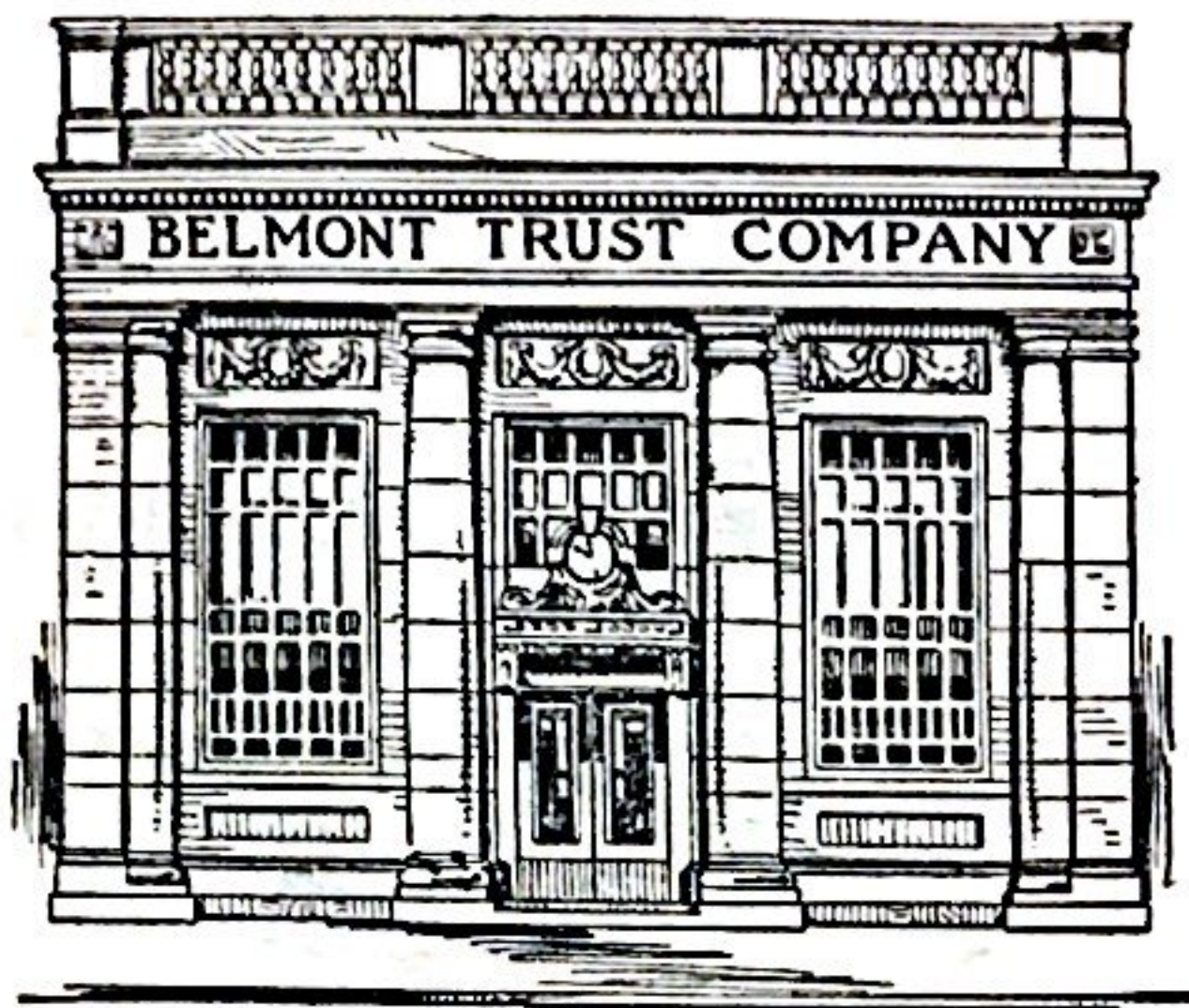
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SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
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The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.
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CALENDAR

October.

- 4. 17th Sunday after Trinity.
- 11. 18th Sunday after Trinity.
- 18. St. Luke, Evangelist, 19th Sunday after Trinity.
- 25. 20th Sunday after Trinity.
- 28. SS. Simon and Jude.

November.

- 1. ALL SAINTS' DAY—21st Sunday after Trinity.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptism.

Sept. 20—Harry Martin Riley, Jr.

Marriage.

Sept. 18—John Elmer Minchhoff and Mildred Turner Fogg.

Burial.

Sept. 25—Esther E. Battin.

Altar Flowers.

Miss Helen Williams is in charge of the Sanctuary during October. She should be consulted by those who desire to place Memorial Flowers on the Altar of Church or Chapel on the unappropriated Sundays.

First Sunday—Miss Helen Williams.

Second Sunday—Miss Margaret Wylie.

Third Sunday—

Fourth Sunday—



AFTER COMMUNION

Soul, bow in deep humility,
My Lord, the King, has come to me.
Love is His quest.

Heralds of war are summoning me,
A cross of pain looms up to me,
But all is best.

Keen trials clearly threaten me,
The future holds uncertainty,
But Thou art rest.

Love of my Lord alluring me
T'ward a desert, nearer Him to be.
'Tis Love's behest.

Love led to death's keen agony.
Can I endure that end with Thee
Great Victor Guest?

No danger now appalleth me,
With Christ as King and Guest to me
I dare; and rest.
—Agnes E. Van Kirk, in Living Church.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Scheduled monthly meetings of parochial organization take place during October as follows:

October 14. Women's Guild, 3 P. M.

October 20. Church School Faculty Conference, 6 P. M.

October 26. Woman's Auxiliary, 2.30 P. M.

October 27. Vestry, 8.15 P. M.

Regular weekly meetings:

Sundays, 7 P. M., Young People's Society.

Tuesdays, 8 P. M., Mothers' Meeting.

Fridays, 8 P. M., Choir Rehearsal, Boy Scout Meeting.

An Invitation.

"Go ye also into the Vineyard." There is plenty to do.

For Men:

Interest in Scout Troop
Activity in Group Organization and Visiting
Choir
Training for Church School
Brotherhood of St. Andrew

For Women:

Women's Guild
Woman's Auxiliary
Altar Guild
Mothers' Meeting
Choir

Activity in Group Organization and Visiting

Training for Church School

St. Philip's has always had splendid co-operation from its people. That tradition still persists, and we are sure none of the present members will allow it to become weakened.

Let us all determine to work with all our might, in the work of the Parish.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

OCTOBER

1. Unity of Purpose, Eph. 4:1-16.
2. Diversity of Gifts, I Cor. 12:4-11.
3. Co-operation in Work, I Cor. 12:12-27.

Almighty God, pour out Thy Holy Spirit upon all who are working for Thee. O Lord, take their minds and think through them; take their lips and speak through them; take their hearts and set them on fire with love to Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Joy of Service.

4. In Prosperity, St. Matt. 25: 14-23.
5. In Adversity, St. Jn. 16:25-33.
6. In Success, St. Lu. 10:17-24.
7. In Failure, St. Jn. 16:20-24.
8. In Misunderstanding, St. Jn. 15:20; 16:4.
9. In Defeat, St. Lu. 23:44-47.
10. In Victory, St. Matt. 28:1-10.

O God, Inspirer of the world's joys, Bearer of the world's pain; Make us glad that we are men, and that we have inherited the World's burdens. Deliver us from the luxury of cheap melancholy, and at the heart of all our trouble and sorrow, let unconquerable gladness dwell; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Church.

11. Its Foundation, St. Matt. 16:16-19.
12. Its Corner Stone, Eph. 2:19-22.
13. Its Door, St. Jn. 10:1-16.
14. Its Walls, I St. Pet. 2:1-5.
15. Its Pillars, I St. Tim. 3:14-16.
16. Its Altar, Heb. 13:8-17.
17. Its Head, Eph. 1:15-23.

O Almighty God, Who hast built Thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the head cornerstone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be an holy temple acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Church.

18. Its Commission, St. Matt. 28:16-20.
19. Its Authority, St. Jn. 20:19-23.
20. Its Function, St. Jn. 17.
21. Its Method, Acts 2:38-47.
22. Its Workmen, I Cor. 3:9-17.
23. Its Task, I St. Tim. 2:1-7.
24. Its Vision, Rev. 7:9-17.

Gracious Father, I humbly beseech Thee for Thy Holy Catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purge it; where it is in error, direct it; where it is superstitious, rectify it; where anything is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is in want, furnish it; where it is divided and rent asunder, make up the breaches of it; O Thou Holy One of Israel. Amen.

The Church.

25. Its Ministers, I Cor. 12:28.
26. Its Strength, Acts 2:1-4.
27. Its Power, St. Jn. 6:47-57.
28. Its Heroes, Heb. 11:32-40.
29. Its Breadth, Acts 1:8.
30. Its Unity, Eph. 4:1-6.
31. Its Holiness, Eph. 5:22-33.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favorably on Thy whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and by the tranquil operation of Thy perpetual providence carry out the work of man's salvation; and let the whole world feel and see that things which were cast down are being raised up, that those which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are returning to perfection through Him from Whom they took their origin, even through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Sometimes we hear the rumor that St. Philip's is a cold Church, and that no one receives a welcome here.

My experience, when I returned from my vacation, was quite the reverse. Every one seemed glad to see their Rector as he was too see them—and the cordial welcome was as warm as the day (which was extremely hot!).

We usually receive what we expect—and what we give. Psychologists would tell us that we set in motion certain impulses which dispose us towards certain impressions and results.

There are people who hold themselves aloof and "freeze" anyone who attempts to speak pleasantly. Naturally, to them St. Philip's is a very cold Church. We have to admit it. It's cold for us, as well as for them.

But to people who come to St. Philip's (may their tribe increase) as to a house of God where other members of His family assemble in love and friendship, where the service is hearty and reverent—whether anyone speaks to them or not, St. Philip's appears a "homelike, cozy Church," "Like the Church in my home town," etc. We covet that reputation. Such people will come again, for the "atmosphere thus described is a manifestation of love, and love is dynamic.

Therefore, we can always accomplish things in this Parish.

If you could know the problems facing the Vestry, you would be surprised that they are so well solved.

If you could—of course you can—attend the meetings of the Woman's Auxiliary, you would be amazed at the breadth of interest and scope of generosity which are shown.

If you do, as I hope you will, attend the meetings of the Women's Guild, you will be astounded, first at the bigness of the vision which those devoted women have, and then at the faith and courage with which they commence to materialize the vision.

"Come and see" these things, and get into the life of the Parish through its manifold activities, of which I have only space to mention a few. Others (mentioned elsewhere) may appeal to you more. They offer you welcome. They are just waiting for your enthusiastic co-operation.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

Profitable Reading.

You have probably read Fosdick's "The Modern Use of the Bible," and thoroughly enjoyed it.

I suggest another book which I believe will be helpful—"How to Enjoy the Bible," by A. C. Deane (published by Doran, \$1.25).

Time was when people were not supposed to enjoy the Bible, or any other part of religion. Enjoyment was carnal, worldly pertaining to the devil. We are outgrowing this idea, though still many people read the Bible (and many don't!) from a sense of duty, as a painful task, and feel very virtuous, but quite bored when they have finished. They expect to get no enjoyment out of it, and, of course, they are not disappointed.

This book suggested, points out the beauty, the romance and the "thrill" of the Bible story.

A good historical novel, published last year is "The Beauty of the Purple," by William Stearns Davis. It is an entrancing picture of life in Constantinople in the eight century, when the city was the capital of the whole world, and the centre of the Roman Empire, when the Moslems were striving to annihilate the Christians, and when the Church in the East was powerful, though beginning to show signs of moral decay—when the Church of Rome was comparatively insignificant—merely a "Diocese" among others.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of August, 1925, and Comparative Statement for the eight months ended August 31, 1924, and August 31, 1925.

RECEIPTS

	August 1925	Period to Aug. 31, 1924	Period to Aug. 31, 1925
From Pledges	\$813.35	\$3,981.36	\$5,903.30
From Plate Collections	54.15	482.83	453.62
In lieu of pew rents		718.50	342.50
Interest from Endowment Funds	258.28	695.14	748.04
Contributions—Church School	26.53	140.51	106.60
Contributions—Women's Guild			1,000.00
Contributions—Easter Offerings		1,972.49	1,590.30
Miscellaneous Receipts		278.90	523.45
Contributions—Missions & Assessments			818.80
Contributions—Rebuilding Fund			43.60
Contributions—Pension Fund			10.50
Contributions—Rectory Fund	76.90	441.25	457.44
	<u>\$1,229.21</u>	<u>\$8,710.98</u>	<u>\$11,998.15</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries—Rector & Sexton & Substitutes...	\$558.33	\$3,646.66	\$3,671.66
Choir and Music	416.66	1,766.66	1,666.66
Repairs, Church Property		182.23	132.50
Chancel Laundry		75.00	50.00
Insurance Premiums		24.30	248.50
Electric Light and Power Service	13.38	197.48	195.48
Church School Expenses		197.06	135.16
St. Philip's Record		184.00	196.00
Telephone, Printed Matter, Publications and other Miscellaneous Expenses	34.00	561.36	521.88
Transferred to Rebuilding Fund			43.60
Transferred to Rectory Fund Reserve	76.90	441.25	457.44
Transferred to Pension Fund Reserve			10.50
Quarterly Assessments—Episcopal Fund			93.14
Quarterly Assessments—Convention Fund...			101.72
Quarterly Assessments—Sustentation Fund...			48.90
Quarterly Assessments—Pension Fund			
Payments to apply on Church Water Rent...			38.85
	<u>\$1,099.27</u>	<u>\$7,276.00</u>	<u>\$7,611.99</u>
Surplus before Rectory Maintenance.....	129.94	1,434.98	4,386.16
Rectory Rentals	45.00	360.00	360.00
	<u>\$174.94</u>	<u>\$1,794.98</u>	<u>\$4,746.16</u>
Rectory Repairs, Interest on Mtge.....		486.33	485.35
	<u>\$174.94</u>	<u>\$1,308.65</u>	<u>\$4,260.81</u>
Extraordinary repairs to heater, boilers, roofs and Church			1,259.52
			<u>\$1,308.65</u>
Surplus for period			<u>\$3,001.29</u>
Special Easter Offerings applied to deficits of prior years		1,972.49	2,590.30
Transferred to Profit & Loss	\$174.94	Def. \$663.84	\$410.99

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. FILBERT,
Accounting Warden.

USEFUL INFORMATION FOR THIS PARISH

Holy Baptism will be administered on any Sunday by arrangement with the Rector. Those who wish to be confirmed should consult at once with the Rector.

Communicants coming into the Parish should bring with them letters of transfer. Communicants leaving the Parish should take with them letters of transfer.

Those who wish to become members of the Parish are asked to send their names and addresses to the Rector so that he may call upon them promptly.

Parishioners are asked to notify the Rector promptly of any change of residence. They will help the Rector greatly by sending to him the names and addresses of new families in the Parish.

The Rector is always ready to visit those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity, and he will gladly administer the Holy Communion to those who are prevented from coming to church.

He should be notified personally when he is needed.

In addition to making calls he will be glad to receive calls from those who wish to confer with him.



CONFIRMATION AT ST. PHILIP'S

The Bishop of the Diocese expects to visit St. Philip's Church for Confirmation on Wednesday evening, December 16. The Rector would be glad to consult with those who are thinking of Confirmation, either for themselves or for others. Perhaps some adults will find it difficult to attend the lectures or instructions. The Rector would be glad in such cases to see them privately.

Not only parents and godparents, but the whole congregation are asked to help the Rector in this matter, and so supplement his necessarily limited efforts. "It would mean much to the clergy to feel that the responsibility was divided with every member of the congregation; to realize that their efforts were seconded and thirded by the enthusiastic partisanship of our communicant members. Will

you not give us this sense of strength? Let the godparents look up their godchildren and "bring" them to Confirmation! Let the confirmed adults in our households ask for grace to lead the unconfirmed to see the advantage and blessing to themselves which will come from the acceptance of this rite!"

The Rector is most anxious that as many as possible of the unconfirmed adults in the Parish and congregation should accept the "opportunity of maturing in churchmanship" which Confirmation affords. And will not the unconfirmed boys and girls seriously consider their duty in this matter? Names should be given to the Rector at the earliest possible moment.



Official Changes in the Prayer Book.

Ever since the General Convention of 1922, certain minor alterations in the services of Morning and Evening Prayer have been "official" substitutes for the rubrics and customs of the Prayer Book. For instance:

1. The exhortation, "Dearly beloved brethren," may be omitted.

2. Morning Prayer may end with the Collect for Grace and II Cor. 13:14.

3. Certain seasonal opening sentences have been added.

4. A new canticle, optionally alternate to the Te Deum, has been supplied, "Benedictus es Domine."

5. A new optional prayer for the President has been authorized.

6. The General Thanksgiving may be said by the congregation with the Minister.

7. If Holy Communion is to follow Morning Prayer, the second lesson and all that follows in that service, may be omitted.

At Evening Prayer:

1. The Confession and Absolution may be omitted.

2. A new and shorter form of Absolution is optional.

Additional "occasional" prayers.

In the conduct of the service, the Minister may read one or more of the Psalms appointed—either as arranged in the Prayer Book or in the Selections or in a new Table of Psalms for the Sundays of the year.

Several optional lessons are provided which may be used. Lessons may be shortened at the discretion of the Minister.

PARISH NOTES

Instructions preparatory to Confirmation will be given in the Chapel on Sunday mornings, commencing October 11, at 10.15. They will last thirty minutes.

In view of the double schedule of hours when pupils have to attend school, and by reason of the later hour of the Church School, it is hoped that the hour mentioned will be convenient to all.

If, however, any who desire to know more about Confirmation cannot attend these public instructions, the Rector will be glad to give private preparation.

December 16 is the date for Confirmation.

Musical Service. A special musical service has been arranged for October 11, at 7.45.

There are many persons who delight in music—to whom music is an inspiration, as it should be.

There should be a Church filled with people on this occasion. Will you come, and bring your friends?

THANKS. There will be an inspiration in working in the Parish House this Winter.

Due to the interest of the Women's Guild, and the co-operation of the Parish, it has been possible to have the interior of the Parish House entirely painted and cleaned, so that it is a pleasure to be in it. YOU are invited!

Many thanks to the Guild and to all who made the work possible.



Education Week.

ALL PARENTS of Church School pupils are asked to attend a Parent-Teacher Meeting on Tuesday, October 20, at 8 P. M., when matters of importance in religious education will be presented and discussed.

This will be an opportunity for Parents to become acquainted with the Teachers of their children, and for Teachers to know the Parents of their pupils. The mutual knowledge will be beneficial to both—and to the children. So please come.

CHURCH NURSERY

Arrangements will be made, if desired, to take charge of young children in the Parish House during morning service, in order that parents who have been compelled to remain at home because of their children may attend the Church services. Please notify the Rector.



Opportunities.

On October 5, at 8 P. M., in St. James' Guild House, Charles H. Tuttle, Esq., of New York City, will speak on "Religious Education in the Future." Mr. Tuttle is a prominent lawyer, and also an up-to-date Superintendent of a Church School, who has a definite message to give. He will be worth hearing, if you haven't heard him before. If you have, you will surely want to hear him again.

This address is part of the Annual Church School Institute which will be held on the afternoon and evening of October 5.

A series of lectures will be given by the Rev. J. Cullen Ayer, D. D., at the Church House on Thursday evenings at 8.40, commencing October 8, the subjects being:

History and the Understanding of the Old Testament.

History and the New Testament.

Growth of Creeds and Christian Thought.

Historical Appreciation of the Middle Ages.

The Reformation and its Appeal to History.

Position of the Anglican Communion and its Appeal to History.

Some of you were fortunate enough to hear Dr. Ayer lecture on Church History in our Parish House a few winters ago. Here is another opportunity, to which you are invited in connection with the Diocesan Normal School.

FASHION SHOW
in the Parish House
November 4th, at 8 P. M.
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CONFIRMATION, OR LAYING ON OF HANDS

Rev. F. M. Taitt, D. D.

In a few weeks the Bishop will visit this Parish to administer Confirmation. Three questions present themselves: I. Is Confirmation a New Testament ordinance? II. If it is, and it became the universal practice of the Church, why is it that it is not practiced in certain religious bodies today? III. What is its purpose?

I. We have not the word Confirmation in the New Testament for Confirmation was the RESULT rather than the ACT. "The Laying on of Hands," the alternate title of the service, is the one used in Apostolic times.

In Acts VIII, 5-18, we have the account of the sending of Peter and John, who laid their hands upon those who had been converted and baptised by Philip. This laying on of hands was performed only by an apostle and later by the successors of the Apostles, or Bishops. Philip was a Deacon. He could baptize but not confirm.

In Acts XIX, 1-6, we have an interesting account of St. Paul in the upper border of Ephesus, asking "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" or, in other words, "Have you been confirmed?" Read the passage.

In Hebrews VI, 1, 2, we have "laying on of hands" classed with repentance, faith, baptism, resurrection and eternal judgment—as a principle of the doctrine of Christ.

Other passages might be quoted, but these are sufficient to show that it was an ordinance of the Church in New Testament times.

II. If it was universal, why has it been discontinued in certain religious bodies?

That it was universal is proved by the writings of the Fathers.

Tertullian, who lived 155-222 A. D., bears witness to the universal custom, "After Baptism, then the imposition of hands."

In our present Confirmation Service, the prayer that immediately precedes the act of the laying on of the Bishop's hands dates back to 494 A. D.

The Reformation on the continent began with the lower orders of the ministry. Martin Luther was a monk; John Calvin was a priest. When they repudiated the Bishop of Rome and started a new ecclesiastical body, they were without Bishops.

In the Church of Luther, a form of blessing by the pastor was given the name that belonged to the Apostolic Rite. The other religious bodies, realizing that Confirmation was an act for a Bishop, abandoned the Rite when they had no longer the proper officer to administer it.

In England, the Reformation began with the whole National Church. The authority of the Bishop of Rome was repudiated; the Church was purged of medieval accretions and continued with the same body of clergy—Bishops, Priests and Deacons—worshiping in the same buildings and continuing all those practices that were primitive and apostolic. The religious bodies of the continent and others that separated themselves from the Church of England did not part with Confirmation without reluctance. Calvin spoke favorably of it. The Baptist Association, on September 25, 1742, declared: "We believe that laying on of hands with prayer upon baptized believers, as such, is an ordinance of Christ and ought to be submitted unto by all such persons as partake of the Lord's Supper."

Adam Clarke says: "I was determined not to be without it, and, therefore, went and received Confirmation even after I became a Methodist preacher."

Dr. Coleman, the famous Congregationalist of Boston, writes: "The confession of the name of Christ is, after all, very lame till the discipline which Christ ordained is restored, and Confirmation be recovered to its full use and solemnity."

Many other testimonies might be given.

III. What is its purpose? I can answer this in no better words than those of my old preceptor, Dr. Butler. "BAPTISM is that Sacrament in which forgiveness of sins is conveyed and signed

and sealed. CONFIRMATION is the rite in which the soul, pardoned, comes to be renewed, to be CONFIRMED AND STRENGTHENED, and forever settled in its new character, as consecrated to God, and belonging to the Saviour. The LORD'S SUPPER is that holy Sacrament in which the soul, thus fixed in its new character, comes to Christ repeatedly that its new life may be developed, that it may feed on the heavenly banquet and grow thereby. Confirmation promotes the establishment of the soul fixedly in its new state obtained in Baptism, that it may surely be in that state, and in no other. The Lord's Supper promotes the progress of the soul in that new state thus firmly fixed in Confirmation."



GENERAL CONVENTION

Almost the entire month of October will be occupied by the General Convention of the Church, meeting in New Orleans.

Amongst the matters to be discussed are the Budget and the Prayer Book Revision.

1. The Budget of the Church—shall it be increased, maintained or reduced? The need of the world calls for an increase. The existence of present work demands at least maintenance. The actual receipts of the National Council may indicate either inability or unwillingness of the General Church to support adequately its own work.

Has the Church reached the limit of its giving ability, or can some more effective method be devised which will appeal more strongly to the financial consciousness of its members?

2. Revision of the Prayer Book. Some changes, adopted in 1922—not affecting those ratified in 1922, described elsewhere in this issue—are to receive final action, either ratification or rejection.

a. Minor changes in the Daily Offices.
b. Additional or amended Prayers and Thanksgivings.

c. In the Holy Communion Office.

1. New or additional Collects for certain days.

2. Optional abbreviation of the Ten Commandments (returning to the custom of 1549).
3. Optional use of "Praise be to Thee, O Christ," after the Gospel.
4. Permission to insert prayers and intercessions after the Creed, and to ask the secret intercessions before the prayer for the Church Militant.
5. Three additional Proper Prefaces—for Epiphany, Transfiguration, All Saints.
6. Transfer of Lord's Prayer to follow the Prayer of Consecration, and Prayer of Humble Access to precede immediately the Communion.
7. Removal of the long exhortations to the end of the service, for optional use.
- d. Holy Baptism. Revision of entire service, condensing the three present services into one.
- e. Confirmation. Insertion of promises made at Baptism, for renewal.
- f. Holy Matrimony: Equalizing the promises made by man and woman. Omitting the word "obey" and the bestowal "of all my worldly goods." A short Blessing of the Ring is provided.
- g. Visitation of the Sick: Improvement by omission of exhortations, and addition of suitable prayers. A Litany for the Dying is provided.
- h. Burial:
 1. More hopeful psalms are allowed.
 2. Two alternate (and shorter) lessons are provided.
 3. An alternate anthem at the grave is furnished.
 4. Prayers for the Departed are inserted.
 5. A special office for Burial of a Child is given.
- i. Thanksgiving after Childbirth includes a prayer for the newborn child.
- j. Ordinal includes minor changes—a special Litany and a variant version of the Veni Creator Spiritus.

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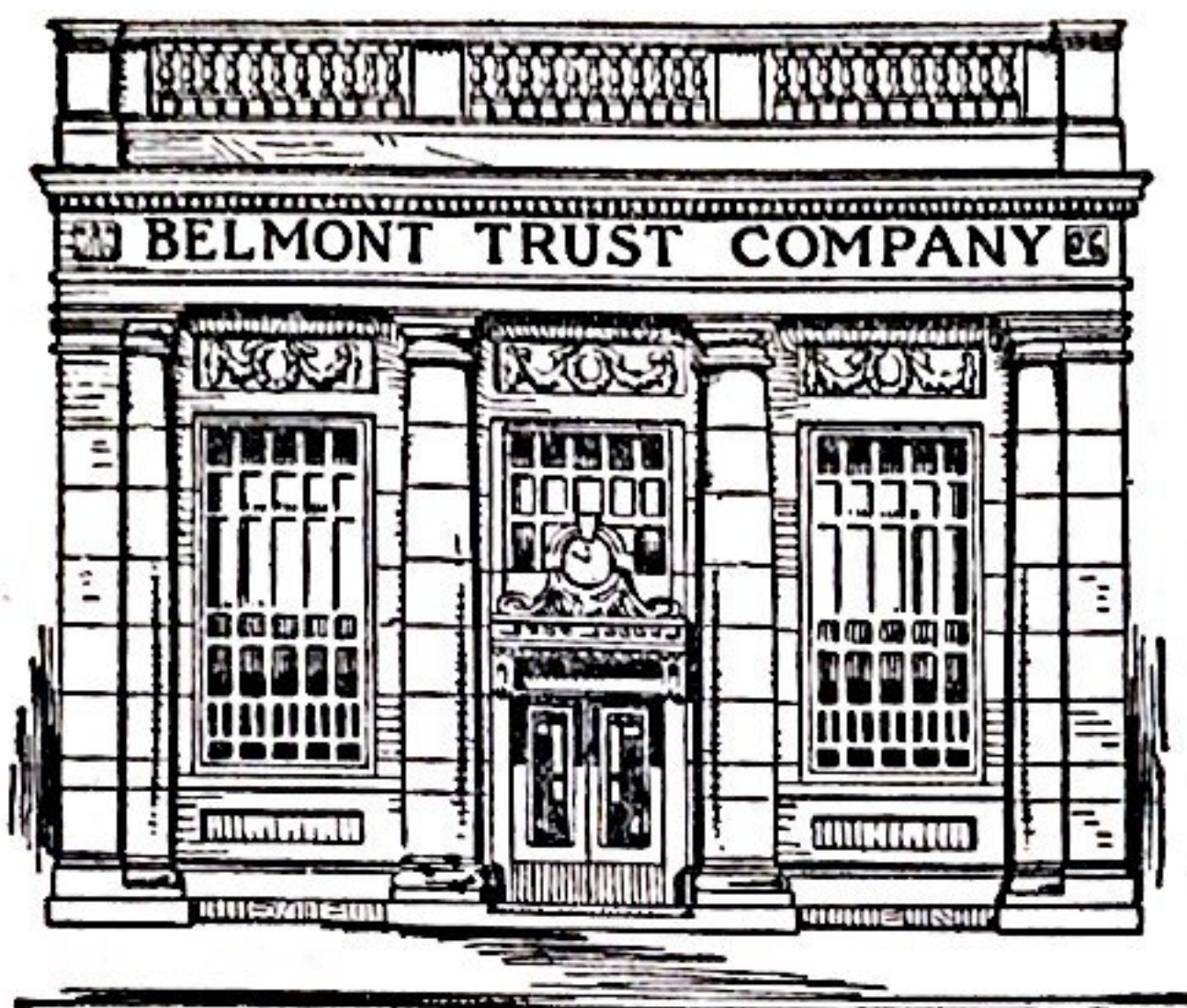
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NOVEMBER, 1925

Rector:

Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
11.00 A. M. Morning Service, (First and Third Sundays
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7.45 P. M. Evening Service

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On other Sundays, assembling in Church for Worship,
entering Parish House at 11.30, for Study.

STANDING NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.
Prompt notices should be given of change of address.

The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for Baptisms Mar-
riages or Burials.

The church is supported by voluntary contributions. Each worshiper is asked to
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Information and Mutual Help.

If anyone is interested, please consult the Rector, who knows a parishioner who has a lower floor apartment to rent, and another who has accommodations for three or four young men boarders.

Further, the subjoined letter may be of interest:

August 28, 1925.

Rev. Fredrick E. Seymour,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Reverend Sir:

The Sesqui-Centennial Travelers' Aid, Incorporated, has been organized to secure preferred tenants for those householders of Philadelphia who are willing to accord visitors to the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition the hospitality of their homes, to the extent of providing them with living quarters during their visit to Philadelphia.

We are perfecting means to provide the householders of Philadelphia with a most select class of visitors, people of their own religion, who live in precisely the same environment, and who bear the same relative social influence in other cities as the individual householders in Philadelphia. We will guarantee this service. Our service includes the selection of preferred tenants for the rooms held by the householder and the collection and delivery of rents as specified by the householder at the time the tenants present themselves for occupancy of the rooms. In addition, we insure the householder's property against any loss by theft or carelessness on the part of tenants sent. Policies in reliable insurance companies provide this protection.

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We would request that you kindly advise us of three or four ladies in your community whom you would recommend as our representatives. We will fully

co-operate with and give them our entire support. Your kind compliance with our request will result in the complete satisfaction of both visitors and householders and at the same time should prove a benefit to the Church through the association of fellow members from other cities.

We are enclosing herewith literature which is now being distributed to the homes of Philadelphia. Your kind co-operation will be greatly appreciated and we assure you of our hearty support.

Very respectfully yours,
Sesqui-Centennial Travelers' Aid, Inc.

B. T. WARDEN, Secretary.
2401 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

**NOTICES**

The meeting of the League of West Philadelphia Churchwomen will be held at the Parish House of the Church of the Saviour, 3723 Chestnut street, on Wednesday, November 4th, at 2.30 P. M. The new chairman, Mrs. James Kennedy (Church of the Saviour) and the new Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. A. L. Rhodes (Church of the Redemption) will take office at this meeting.

A large delegation is desired from each Church.

Tea will be served after the meeting.



A Diocesan Institute will be held on Thursday, November 5th, in St. James' Parish House, 2210 Sansom street, from 10.15 to 12.30, when reports from the General Convention will be made, and from 2.30 to 5 P. M., when Pennsylvania's plans will be outlined.



On six consecutive Monday evenings, November 9th to December 14th, in the Church House, at 8 P. M., Mr. R. D. Brown will conduct a series of discussions of religion and science. Old and young of both sexes are urged to attend. Please notify Mr. Brown, 202 South 19th street, if you expect to be present.

CALENDAR**November**

1. All Saints' Day, 21st Sunday after Trinity.
8. 22nd Sunday after Trinity.
15. 23rd Sunday after Trinity.
22. Sunday next before Advent.
26. Thanksgiving Day.
29. 1st Sunday in Advent.
30. St. Andrew, Apostle.

December

6. 2nd Sunday in Advent.

**PARISH REGISTER****Baptism**

- Oct. 19. John Robison Hoopes, Jr.

Marriage

- Oct. 31. Millard Jeffries Paul and Frances Earle Schermerhorn.

Burial

- Oct. 7. Mary E. Dwyer.
Oct. 29. William C. B. Kelley.

Communicants Received

- Oct. 25. James J. Ross.
Ethel Ross Graham.
Sara Katharine Graham.
From St. Luke's Church, Seaford, Del.

Communicants Transferred

- Oct. 1. Eleanore Bement Stem, Russell Bement and Mary Sloan Bement to St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill.

**ALTAR FLOWERS****November**

- Head: Miss Harriet E. Blakiston.
1st Sunday, All Saints' Day—In Memoriam.
2nd Sunday, Mrs. E. T. Walker.
3rd Sunday, Miss E. F. Sachse.
4th Sunday, Mrs. J. A. Aikens, Jr.
Thanksgiving Day, Mrs. W. B. Rulon.
5th Sunday, Mrs. John Loman.

Those who desire to provide flowers for the Chapel Altar during November are asked to confer with Miss Blakiston.

"Memorial Sundays" can be secured by consultation with any member of the Altar Society or with the Rector.

THANKSGIVING DAY

Services: Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.; Morning Prayer, 11 A. M.

Christians gladly avail themselves of opportunities to say "Thank You" to God—from common politeness, but also from deep gratitude, for all the blessings of this life.

After all, the discomforts and tragedies are transient, occasional and abnormal. The good things are our normal lot.

So, "Thank the Lord, for it is a good thing to be thankful."



"The priest should remember that he has no canonical authority to refuse Communion to any baptized person kneeling before the Lord's Table, unless he be excommunicate by name, or, in the canonical sense of the term, a cause of scandal to the faithful."

—Lambeth Conference, 1920.

**ADVENT SUNDAY**

It is a custom, and a good one, to hold a Men's Corporate Communion on the first Sunday in Advent.

ALL MEN and BOYS who are confirmed are asked to be present at the 7.30 A. M. service on November 29th.

It is the Church's New Year's Day. Let us all renew our strength at the Altar, and consecrate anew to a more loyal service of our Master.

**A GRACE**

Grant us Thy grace, O God, as we partake of these Thy bounties. Sanctify them to our use and us to Thy service, for Christ's sake. Amen,

PARISH SANCTUARY
Bible Readings and Prayers

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

NOVEMBER

Our Beloved Dead

8. At Peace, in God's Hand. Wis. 3: 1-9.
9. The Victor's Song. Rev. 19: 1-16.
10. The Reward of Righteousness. Wis. 5: 1-16.
11. The Heavenly City. Rev. 21: 1; 22: 6.
12. An Abiding Name. Ecclus. 44: 1-15.
13. The Palm of Victory. Rev. 7: 9-17.
14. The Character of the Blessed. St. Matt. 5: 1-12.

Almighty Father, with Whom all souls do live, be mindful, we pray Thee, of all Thy servants who have gone before us in Thy faith and fear, and who now, through Thy mercy, rest in peace. Grant them, O Lord, in patient waiting in Paradise, every increasing light and felicity; and grant that together with them, we may finally have our perfect consummation and bliss in Thy eternal and everlasting glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

1. Assurance of Identity. I Cor. 15: 1-11.
2. No Separation. Rom. 8: 31-39.
3. Life through Jesus Christ. Eph. 2: 1-10.
4. Life in Christ Jesus. Rom. 6: 1-11.
5. Suffering Temporary, Joy Eternal. Rom. 8: 14-28.
6. With the Lord. I Thess. 4: 13-18.
7. In the Eternal Home. II Cor. 4: 8; 5: 9.

Our Heavenly Father, we rejoice in the blessed communion of all Thy saints, wherein Thou givest us also to have part. We remember before Thee all who have departed this life in Thy faith and love, and especially those most dear to us. We thank Thee for our present fellowship with them, and for our common hope, and the promise of future joy. Grant to us such a measure of communion with them as Thou knowest to be best for us, and bring us all to serve Thee in Thine eternal Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OUR SORROWING

15. The Waters of Comfort. Psal. 23: 9-17.
16. Joy through Tribulation. Rev. 7: 17.
17. The Divine Consoler. St. John 11: 1-36.
18. Comfort of Faith. St. John 14: 1-21.
19. Result of Faith. St. John 11: 37-45.
20. Deliverance from Death. Psal. 116: 1-3.
21. Children of God. I St. John 3: 1-3.

Almighty and everlasting God, the Comfort of the sad, and the Strength of sufferers, let the prayers of those who cry out of any tribulation come unto Thee, that all may rejoice to find Thy mercy is present with them in their sorrow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THANKFULNESS

22. For Deliverance from Troubles. Psal. 107.
23. In Spite of Adversity. Hab. 3: 17-19.
24. For Contentment. Phil. 4: 4-11.
25. For Christ, Home and Church. Eph. 5: 22-33.
26. For Peace and Prosperity. Psal. 147.
27. For Opportunities for Service. St. Jas. 1: 16-27.
28. For the Knowledge of God Our King. Isa. 32: 1-8.

Most gracious God, the Fountain of all blessing; Thou hast opened Thine hand to fill us with all good things; Thou dost govern us as a King, Thou feedest us like a Shepherd, Thou keepest us beneath the shadow of Thy wings in safety, Thou providest for us as a Father, Thou lovest us as a Friend, and thinkest on us perpetually, and art exceedingly merciful to all that fear Thee. Unto Thee, O Lord, we ascribe all thanks and praise. Amen.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD

29. Signs of the Kingdom. St. Mark 13: 21-36.
30. A Messenger of the Kingdom. St. John 1: 35-42.

December

1. Preparations for the Kingdom. St. Luke 12: 35-40.
2. Watching for the Kingdom. St. Matt. 24: 32-44.
3. Members of the Kingdom. Rev. 3: 1-6.
4. Joy in the Kingdom. St. Luke 21: 25-36.
5. The Door of the Kingdom. Rev. 3: 7-22.

Almighty God, Who in Thy Providence hast made all ages a preparation for the Kingdom of Thy Son; we beseech Thee to make ready our hearts for the brightness of Thy glory. Awaken us from our slumbers. Quicken us, O Thou Who art the Eternal Life. Revive and deepen our faithful in the spiritual realities. Kindle our affections and restore us to hope. Our eyes wait for the glorious and blessed dawn. Let us behold that Day-spring from on high, that we may live in peace; through Jesus Christ our Saviour and our King. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

By general consent of the parish, our weekly subscriptions were changed, early this year, from a duplex to a single pledge. All income, unless specifically designated, goes to Parish Expenses.

By vote of the Vestry, \$1000 will be paid to the Diocesan Treasurer for General and Missionary Work,—and any undesignated surplus remaining on hand after all bills have been paid at the end of the year, will also go to the Diocesan Treasurer.

Thus far, none of the \$1000 has been remitted. Subscribers are therefore reminded to keep up their pledges and their payments, in order that our word to the Bishop may be kept.

At the General Convention, which faced a deficit of \$1,500,000, representatives of the Dioceses pledged amounts which totaled \$1,401,000, of which it is estimated that Pennsylvania's share will be considerably in excess of \$100,000.

St. Philip's will, of course, do its best. I have said very little about Missionary giving this year, as I am confident that the policy on which we are working will produce satisfactory results.

At the same time, the action taken by our Bishop in General Convention places an emergency obligation on the parishes, and I am sure each of you will rise to meet the situation.

For next year, you will probably be asked to pledge, in the every member canvass, a single amount to be paid to the Parish Treasurer, including, as at present, amounts heretofore given to various missionary objects. Then it should be possible from the hoped-for increase in subscriptions,—to pledge to the Diocese, more than this year's \$1000,—say, perhaps 15% or 20% of our income. This would be considerably less than we have given for the past five or six years, but still would be a sum commensurate to our ability, and proportionate to amounts paid by other parishes.

While we may be cautious,—like our patron Saint, and fear that "the income may not be sufficient for us, that every part may have a little," nevertheless we must give that little, confident that the Master's power can so increase it that "all can be fed" and even that many "fragments will remain over and above."

Let us each do as God has prospered us.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

"THAT BLACK THING"

"What is the black thing the Rector wears during the service?" "Why does the Rector wear a black stole now?" Similar questions have been asked.

Answering the second first—he does not! The black "thing" is not a stole, but a scarf of "tippet."

In technical usage, the tippet is the vestment which distinguishes the clergy from the choristers.

In this country a stole has usually been substituted for the required tippet. But a stole is part of the Eucharistic or sacramental vestments, and should not, properly, be worn at a Choir Office, such as Morning or Evening Prayer.

The Choir offices are more or less "academic." The proper vestments are cassock, surplice, hood and tippet, the

last being as aforesaid a distinction worn by clergymen, in addition to a hood if they are entitled to wear that.

As to a question which might be raised, "If this is proper, why hasn't it been used before—and by others?" Again taking the second part first: it is being used more and more by others. I cannot answer the first part of the question except to say that the propitious combination of circumstances was not heretofore existent.

The "American Episcopal" Church has no rule in the matter—only a somewhat modern custom. For all her vestments she depends on English requirements, according to the principle mentioned in the preface to the Prayer Book—more or less carefully followed.

The use of the tippet is a resumption of a custom of our "Mother Church."

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of September, 1925, and Comparative Statement for the nine months ended September 30, 1924 and 1925:

Receipts

	Sept., 1925	Period to Sept. 30, 1924	Period to Sept. 30, 1925
From Pledges	\$617.85	\$4,482.58	\$6,521.15
From Plate Collections	41.30	530.28	494.92
In Lieu of Pew Rents		718.50	342.50
Interest from Endowment Funds		724.39	748.04
Contributions—Church School		140.51	106.60
Contributions—Women's Guild			1,000.00
Contributions—East Offering		1,972.49	1,590.30
Miscellaneous Receipts	82.50	370.40	605.95
Contributions—Missions and Assessments			818.80
Contributions—Rebuilding Fund			43.60
Contributions—Pension Fund			10.50
Contributions—Rector's Fund	20.75	486.60	478.19

\$762.40 \$9,425.75 \$12,760.55

Disbursements

Salaries—Rector, Sexton and Substitutes in Summer Months	\$433.34	\$4,079.99	\$4,080.00
Choir and Music	208.34	1,994.99	1,900.00
Repairs Church Property		200.98	132.50
Chancel Laundry	25.00	75.00	75.00
Insurance Premiums		104.30	248.50
Electric Light and Power Service	5.77	210.35	201.25
Church School Expenses	64.65	304.24	199.81
St. Philip's Record	35.00	228.00	231.00
Telephone, Printed Matter, Publications and Other Miscellaneous Expenses	40.57	586.36	562.45
Fuel for Heating		619.25	488.75
Church Water Rent			38.85
Transferred to Rebuilding Fund			43.60
Transferred to Rector's Fund Reserve	20.75	486.60	478.19
Quarterly Assessment—Episcopal Fund			93.14
Quarterly Assessments—Convention Fund			101.72
Quarterly Assessment—Sustentation Fund			48.90
Assessment—Pension Fund			66.92

Surplus Before Rector's Maintenance

Rector's Rentals

Rector's Repairs, Interest, Taxes

Extraordinary Repairs

Surplus for Period

Special Easter Offerings Applied to Deficit of Former Years

Deficit Transferred to Profit and Loss

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. FILBERT,
Accounting Warden.

THE WOMEN—GOD BLESS THEM!

The women of the Church OVER AND ABOVE their generous weekly and special contributions, and in addition to the hours of time and dollars' worth of labor and spontaneous gifts, have given to the Church, as a result of three years of thankfulness, \$909,833.50 in HARD CASH!

This is an increase of \$223,369.68 over the similar United Thank Offering presented in 1922. Pennsylvania gave the largest Diocesan offering, as usual.

Men may claim a part of the credit for the women's regular contributions, as that MAY come out of household budgets, but this United Thank Offering is apart from budgets, and does not apply on quotas.

It represents savings and sacrifices, thankfully made.

This is a remarkable achievement, paralleled only by the Children's Lenten Offering.

Truly, "Women and Children are first!"

Men might have a Men's Thank Offering—in thankfulness for the women!



MOTHERS' MEETING

It is with great pleasure that announcement is made of Miss Maria S. Blakiston's appointment as Head of the Mothers' Meeting.

This important activity of the Parish is one of the most energetic we have. About one-third of the United Thank Offering given by women of St. Philip's came from the Mothers. Almost all of them are members of the Cathedral League.

Miss Blakiston will have the hearty support of every member of the meeting, as well as the loyal co-operation of Mrs. W. H. Boyd, Mrs. J. M. Hill and Mrs. M. S. Williamson, who have for many years been hard workers and capable assistants to Miss Ashburner.

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

On Wednesday, October 14, the Women's Guild planned several interesting affairs. The Fashion Show to be held on November 4 at eight o'clock. On December 2 there will be a luncheon and a novel and interesting entertainment in which every one will desire to participate.

The Block System is being used again and it is hoped our friends will respond as generously as in previous years.

The plan for co-ordinating the different societies was explained and discussed and the Guild voted to try the plan if the other societies agreed. The executive committee was given power to act with other committees and report. A request came from the Red Cross to knit sweaters for the soldiers in hospitals, and to contribute a tree to be planted in memory of men lost in the World War, at a cost of ten dollars.

Mr. Seymour showed some interesting pictures of old St. Philip's. Tea was served after the meeting.



FASHION SHOW

in the Parish House
November 4th, at 8 P. M.
Reserve this date!



A TRIBUTE

We, the members of the Mothers' Meeting of St. Philip's Parish, wish to express our great sorrow at the death of Miss Ashburner, who for years has been a consecrated worker and faithful friend. She was lovable, sympathetic and always ready to help any one in time of need or trouble. Her place will be hard to fill. May she rest in peace and her work follow her.

Resolved, That these minutes be printed in "St. Philip's Record" and a copy be sent to her relatives, the Misses Blakiston.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Our teaching force is now complete, and all classes have excellent teachers.

The attendance of pupils is becoming normal (the first month of the first term is usually below standard).

Many new pupils have enrolled, though some former pupils have been lost through removal, so that the enrollment remains about the same as last year.

The "new plan" has worked very satisfactorily, and seems to be appreciated by all in the Parish, though in a few cases it is not quite as convenient as the former plan.

Very little confusion is caused by the exit or entrance of the school. All move quietly and reverently to or from their seats, and are to be congratulated on that fact.

Amongst the good results of the combination of Church and School, the following were mentioned by the teachers at the Faculty Conference in October:

1. Promptness of pupils at the teaching session.
2. Home work seems better prepared—apparently in the hour gained by the change of time.
3. Pupils are more receptive after half an hour in Church than when they came from the "street."
4. Pupils are forming the habit of Church attendance.
5. Responsibility for Church attendance is placed on the child rather than on the parent.
6. The Lower School has more time to teach hymns and prayers to the younger pupils.
7. A fairly well filled Church is an inspiration to all.

Two disadvantages were mentioned:

1. Teachers have less time for personal contact with pupils before class (but heretofore, very few pupils came early enough for such contact!).
2. The Lower School teachers are deprived of Church services. This will be removed by arranging for the whole school to be in Church on one Sunday a month.

One change will be made. Grade 4 pupils will hereafter meet in Church with the Upper School.

We are still in the experimental stage, and are open to suggestion.

PRINCIPLES OF OUR TEACHING

At the Parent-Teacher meeting, held on October 20th, the Rector explained the purposes of our Church School and the principles on which it was conducted.

The principles are twofold: to give training and practice in Worship, and to give opportunities for self-expression in service to others; in other words, "to know God and to make Him known."

Christianity is loyalty to a living Person, not devotion to the historical and literary records of a Person. It is a Way of Life, a progress towards the expanding knowledge of God, as the human mind can comprehend more of the truths by which God has revealed Himself.

The Bible is used as illustration of the ways in which people of the past came to know God—as records of human aspirations towards God, written under human limitations due to undeveloped scientific research, and more or less limited world-consciousness. The writers were inspired by the Holy Spirit, which guarantees the inspirational influence, though not the detailed accuracy of the Bible. We endeavor to teach the pupils to understand the Bible so reasonably that their faith will be undisturbed when it meets conflicting theories in college classrooms.

We press forward towards the Living Christ, where our attention is centered, rather than looking backward to the historic Christ.

Worship is the highest means of approach to God. So the first principle of our School is WORSHIP. By attending Church regularly, and by receiving the Holy Eucharist devoutly and frequently, we become more like Him on Whom we feed.

Pupils are urged to attend the early services for their Communion and to use the later service for worship and intercession.

Secondly, we cannot love God, Whom we have not seen, unless we love our brothers whom we have seen. Therefore, our knowledge of God, steadily increasing, leads us to constant efforts to make Him known to all mankind, in community, nation and world, through acts of service and sacrifice, through gifts of money and other material things and through intercession.

BIRTHDAY THANK OFFERING

The Birthday Thank Offering, presented in New Orleans, amounted to \$21,339.46. This represents the offerings on or near the birthdays of pupils (and teachers) during the past three years, and is to be devoted to educational work in Liberia.



RELIGION BEGINS AT HOME

Superintendent of Schools Broome is himself a Presbyterian elder, and for that reason it was possible for him, in addressing the regular Monday meeting of the Philadelphia Presbyterian Ministers' Association, to discuss a subject that under other circumstances might have been delicate to the danger point.

"What is needed today," he said, "is a stronger element of religion in the home, for upon the home and the Sunday School rests the chief burden of religious and moral instruction. Religious instruction has no place in the public schools. If I can leave that one message with you, I am content."

Beginning with the premise that a spiritual belief is essential to the happiness of mankind, and admitting the urgent need of impressing such belief upon the rising generation, Dr. Broome nevertheless made it clear that the public schools could not be depended upon for that laudable purpose. Commenting, in passing, upon the utter impossibility of securing enough teachers of competence to furnish such religious training, and upon the hopelessness of getting the several sects making up the supporting citizenry to agree as to what form that religious training should take, the Superintendent declared that "the home is the strategic point of attack in our problem."

All this, of course, has been said before, but never by a Superintendent of the Schools in this city quite so cogently as Dr. Broome put it. "The home and the Sunday School," he said, "have the greatest opportunities to give the child the proper training in such matters." It must be clear to any thinking person that no matter how earnest and persist-

ent the religious instruction of the child during school hours might be, it will not have the full value desired if the home in which the child spends the greater portion of his time is lacking in that same spiritual atmosphere. Similarly, the utter absence of religious instruction in the public schools could have no harmful effect upon a child afforded proper instruction at home and in the Sunday School attached to his church.

The complementary suggestion thrown out by Dr. Broome that the clergymen of the city might "carry their work into the home and spread Christianity to those whose absence from church would prevent their receiving it otherwise" was a novel notion, to say the least.



A TRIBUTE FROM NOVA SCOTIA

"Thank you very much for putting me on the mailing list. There is an inspiration in 'The Record' which is rarely in church magazines."



Two special offerings showed a lamentable decrease last year. The Thanksgiving Offering for our Episcopal Hospital in 1924 was only \$195 as against \$327 in 1923, and gifts for the Christmas Fund of the Diocese were only \$6 in 1924, while in 1923 they were \$51.

These are two obligations resting wholly on the members of this Diocese. The Episcopal Hospital is one of the most useful institutions in the city, and depends on the gifts of Church people. The Christmas Fund assists clergymen ineligible to the Church Pension Fund. Please remember this at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

PRAYER

We know not all the sweetness of that
place

Where prayers like flowers grow;
Upon what perfect one He turns His
Face
We may not always know;

What fairest one to Him from us is hid:
Their virtues several
Are dear to Him; He walketh them amid,
Considering them all.

We breathe our holiest prayers upon the
air,
Nor follow whither goes
The wafture of them, as of lily fair
Or breath of opening rose.

Prayer is not a carpet to His feet,
Nor doth it lofty rear
Stone upon stone for Him: for Him more
meet,
It is His atmosphere.

It is not as a burning sacrifice
Of flesh and blood: it is
The fuller comprehending Him, the price
Of heartfelt mysteries.

Along the ancient years it travelleth,
Hoping to find the Lord;
It seeketh Him, and findeth in His Death
The answer of God's Word.

It asketh not for good, but for the will
To comfort those who grieve;
For good it asketh not, but aye for ill
The good it doth receive,

It covers like a garment all the sad
And busy cares of men;
The laborer, downcast, it maketh glad
And raiseth up again.

It bringeth down the proud, for who
could be
Content with haughtiness
When He who taught the world humility
Would with His presence bless?

It searcheth out the heart of God; no
one
Exploresth to that place
But him who prays; nor may one look
upon
His high and holy Face.

As on strong wing across a boundless
sea
It seeketh not for rest,
Until in distance of infinity
Prayer findeth there its nest.

No other busy course doth God so bless
With satisfaction rare
As the still heart's desire, the quietness
Of thought that flies to prayer.

Unknown to us, but known, O Lord, to
Thee
The secret of the short
Words of a child, in whose deep con-
stancy
Resteth divine import.

So known to Thee, O Lord, the confi-
dence
Of praying hearts, and where
Thou art, and whither goest Thou, and
whence
The potency of prayer.

—HARRIET STORER FISK.

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Rector:

Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
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7.45 P. M. Evening Service

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STANDING NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.
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CALENDAR

December.

- 6. Second Sunday in Advent.
- 13. Third Sunday in Advent.
- 16, 18, 19. Ember Days.
- 20. Fourth Sunday in Advent.
- 21. St. Thomas, Apostle.
- 25. CHRISTMAS DAY.
- 26. St. Stephens, Martyr.
- 27. St. John, Evangelist. (First Sunday after Christmas.)
- 28. The Innocents' Day.

January.

- 1. Circumcision.
- 3. Second Sunday after Christmas.

(Notes on the Calendar. By coincidence, each of the Sundays in December is a double festival.

December 6 is dedicated to St. Nicholas,—the patron saint of children, the original of the Santa Claus stories. He was Bishop of Myra, in Asia Minor, in the fourth century.

December 13 is St. Lucy's Day. St. Lucy suffered martyrdom in 304 A. D. The Winter Ember Days are dated from December 13.

December 20 is the Eve of St. Thomas, one of the Twelve.

December 27 is dedicated to the Beloved Disciple.)



PARISH REGISTER

Confirmation.

Nov. 20—Anna Bell Covell.

Marriage.

Nov. 21—Alexander Hamilton Bishop, Jr., and Katharine Benton Schermerhorn.

Burial.

Nov. 21—Lillian Beldin DuBasq.

Received by Transfer.

Nov. 24—Horace H. Verdery.
Helen M. Verdery.
From St. Paul's Church, Augusta, Ga.

Communicants Transferred.

Oct. 30—Asa Don Dickinson.
Helen Winslow Dickinson.
Asa Dickinson.
Elizabeth Winslow Dickinson.
To Trinity Church, Swarthmore, Pa.
Nov. 24—E. Katherine Hickman.
To Church of the Advocate, Philadelphia.

Altar Society.

Mrs. M. S. Roberts in charge for December. Memorial flowers are supplied as follows:

First Sunday—Mr. Robert Wark.

Second Sunday—Mrs. W. P. Bement.

Third Sunday—

Christmas Day—

Fourth Sunday—Mr. W. B. MacHenry.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

There will be two celebrations of the Holy Eucharist on Christmas Day at 7.30 and at 11 A. M.

Every Communicant should make every effort to "Worship Christ, our new-born King" at His Holy Table, on His birthday.

Funds for Christmas decorations are earnestly solicited by the Altar Society. It is fitting that the Church should be adorned with flowers and evergreens, symbolic of the recurring and perpetual joy of the Christmas message.



Master and Lord, keep us this day in Thy presence,
Fence round our hearts with Thy love and Thy purity,
That no evil thing may come near us.

Purge us from all selfish motive and ambition;
Teach us to love our fellow-men
With a love that shall be Thy love breaking into the world through us.

Illumine our souls with a clear and glorious perception of spiritual reality,
With a knowledge of Thy divine beauty and truth,
That shall fill us with joy and peace.

Make us messengers of Thy grace,
Ambassadors of God amongst men.
Make us doorways through which Thou Thyself mayest enter freely into Thy world.

(Prayers for Use in an Indian College.)

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

DECEMBER.

The Kingdom of Heaven.

- Nov. 29. Watchfulness, St. Matt. 25:1-13.
 Nov. 30. Diligence, St. Mark 13:21-15.
 Dec. 1. Alertness, St. Matt. 25:1-13.
 Dec. 2. Readiness, St. Luke, 12:35-40.
 Dec. 3. Steadfastness, Rev. 3:1-6.
 Dec. 4. Faithfulness, Rev. 3:7-13.
 Dec. 5. Joyfulness, St. Luke, 21:25-36.

Almighty God Who in Thy Providence hast made all ages a preparation for the Kingdom of Thy Son; we beseech Thee to make ready our hearts for the brightness of Thy glory. Awaken us from slumbers. Quicken us, O Thou Who art the eternal Life. Revive and deepen our faith in spiritual realities. Kindle our affections and restore us to hope. Our eyes wait for the glorious and blessed dawn. Let us behold that Dayspring from on high, that we may live in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bible Reading.

6. Good Tidings, Isa. 40:1-11.
 7. Warnings, Jer. 36.
 8. Discernment, Heb. 4.
 9. Doctrine, II St. Tim. 3:14-4:8.
 10. Hope, Rom. 15:1-13.
 11. Witness, II St. Pet. 1:12-21.
 12. Interpretation, St. Lu. 24:13-27.

Blessed Lord, Who hast caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Thy Holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life which Thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Ministry.

13. The Call, I Sam 3.
 14. The Vision, Isa. 6:1-8.
 15. The Task, Ezk. 33:1-10.
 16. The Work, St. Matt. 11:2-10.
 17. The Message, St. Jn. 1:1-18.
 18. The Responsibility, I Cor. 4:1-5.
 19. The Qualifications, II Cor. 5:20-6:10.

O Lord, we beseech Thee to raise up for the work of the Ministry, faithful

and able men, counting it all joy to spend and be spent for the sake of Thy dear Son, and for the souls for which He shed His most precious blood. And we pray Thee to fit them for their holy function by Thy bountiful and heavenly benediction, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Joy.

20. Joy of God's Presence, Phil. 4:4-13.
 21. Joy of Service, Phil. 2:1-18.
 22. Joy of Redemption, Isa. 9:1-7.
 23. Joy of Anticipation, St. Lu. 1:26-45.
 24. Joy of Fulfillment, St. Lu. 2:6-20.

O God, Who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of Thine only Son Jesus Christ; Grant that as we joyfully receive Him for our Redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold Him when He shall come to be our Judge, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Christmas.

25. God with Man, St. Lu. 2:1-14.
 26. God's Revelation to Man, Heb. 1.
 27. Man in God's Image, Gen. 1:26-31.
 28. Children of God, Eph. 1:1-14.
 29. Man's Dignity, Psal. 8.
 30. Man's Task, Eph. 4:1-16.
 31. Man's Duty, St. Tit. 2:11-14.

We adore Thee and give thanks to Thee, Holy Child, Prince of Peace, most gracious Jesus. We offer Thee humble and hearty thanksgiving, and we yield ourselves to Thee in obedient service, Who for us men came down from heaven, dwelt among us and died for us, and now ever liveth to make intercession for us; our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

A New Life.

- Jan. 1. A New Name, St. Matt. 1:18-21.
 Jan. 2. A New Life, Rom. 6:3-11.
 Ever-living God, by Whose mercy we have come to the gateway of another year; Grant that we may enter it with grateful hearts. Confirm our resolution, we beseech Thee, to walk more closely in Thy way, and labor more faithfully in Thy service, according to the teaching and example of Him Whose Name we bear, Thy Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Advent is a time for Preparation for a definite object,—the coming of our King. It implies the whole of our Faith. If Christ is our Saviour, He must also be our King. Our King is coming to His Kingdom, which must be prepared for His Advent. We are responsible for the preparation.

Therefore we must awake to our duty,

hope for the completion of our work,
 account for our share in that work, and
 rejoice at the nearer approach of our Lord,—made possible
 according to the sincerity of our preparation.

The coming of the Lord is delayed by the insincerity of His disciples, which calls for serious repentance, and amendment of life.

Advent is, then, a season of Repentance and Resolution.

It is also a season of Rejoicing, as we commemorate the coming of the Christ Child in Whose power we can accomplish our resolutions.

Christmas is the gladdest Day of the year; full of the joy of child-likeness, which is a condition of entrance into heaven. It is well that we should be merry on this day, and wish one another happiness and joy, symbolizing our wishes by the interchange of tokens of affection.

May the Grace of the Christ Child be in you,

May the Glory of God be upon you,

May God's Peace and Good-will be amongst you,

May His Kingdom come on earth through you.

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

CHARITY

There was a time when I, in conscious pride

Of mind alert and keenest acumen,
 Did sit in judgment on my fellow-men.
 'Twas said of one that thus and thus
 were true.

I heard of it from one who loudly said
 That he had heard from one who'd heard
 from others

Who from others yet again had heard.
 A circling chain of evidence, forsooth!
 You ask me, "Did you speak to the accused?"

"Oh, no, I could not of the matter question him."

You query, "May he not be innocent?
 Could this from envy, pique or hate,
 From hope of gold—or other cause be said?"

I answer you, "I have not seen, I have
 but heard

From others who have heard."

What greater proof is needed to establish proof?

And so I spoke and judged of him
 Who with me sat within the House of
 God,

Who with me called upon His Name,
 And to His Chalice pressed his lips
 In memory of Christ's Love and Sacrifice.

My lips I also pressed to that same
 Cup—

These lips with which I had proclaimed
 The guilt of him with whom I supped.
 "My God, is this the lesson that I learned
 From Him I worshiped there?"

"Am I so guiltless that I raise a stone
 To cast at one accused?"

Can I learn aught of truth
 Except of Thee whose Name is Truth?"

"Forgive me, Lord, a sinner, that I judge
 Instead of leaving judgment unto Thee!
 Craving Thy mercy, may I mercy show,
 And give unto my brother only love."

A. M. V.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of October, 1925, and Comparative Statement for the ten months ended October 31, 1924 and 1925:

Receipts			
	October, 1925	Period to Oct. 31, 1924	Period to Oct. 31, 1925
From Pledges	\$922.50	\$5,025.38	\$7,443.65
From Plate Collections	62.90	601.60	557.82
In Lieu of Pew Rents	50.00	743.50	392.50
Interest from Endowment Funds	186.47	768.95	934.51
Contributions—Church School		140.51	106.60
Contributions—Women's Guild			1,000.00
Contributions—Easter Offerings		1,972.49	1,590.30
Miscellaneous Receipts	65.30	395.40	671.25
Contributions—Missions and Assessments			818.80
Contributions—Rebuilding Fund			43.60
Contributions—Pension Fund			10.50
Contributions—Rectory Fund	54.10	541.50	532.29
	<u>\$1,341.27</u>	<u>\$10,189.33</u>	<u>\$14,101.82</u>
Disbursements			
Salaries—Rector, Sexton and Substitutes in Summer Months	\$433.33	\$4,513.32	\$4,513.33
Choir and Music	213.33	2,203.32	2,113.33
Repairs Church Property	64.05	336.98	196.55
Chancel Laundry		75.00	75.00
Insurance Premiums		104.30	248.50
Electric Light and Power Service	7.74	219.88	208.99
Church School Expenses	16.90	324.19	216.71
St. Philip's Record	35.00	263.00	266.00
Telephone, Printed Matter, Publications and Other Miscellaneous Expenses	56.27	610.60	618.72
Fuel for Heating		619.25	488.75
Church Water Rent	42.55		81.40
Transferred to Rebuilding Fund			43.60
Transferred to Rectory Fund Reserve	54.10	541.50	532.29
Quarterly Assessments—Episcopal Fund	46.56		139.70
Quarterly Assessments—Convention Fund	50.86		152.58
Quarterly Assessments—Sustentation Fund	24.45		73.35
Assessment—Pension Fund	75.00		141.92
	<u>\$1,120.14</u>	<u>\$9,811.34</u>	<u>\$10,110.72</u>
Surplus before Rectory Maintenance	\$221.13	\$377.99	\$3,991.10
Rectory Rentals	45.00	405.00	450.00
	<u>\$266.13</u>	<u>\$782.99</u>	<u>\$4,441.10</u>
Rectory Repairs, Interest, Taxes	44.85	675.53	687.35
	<u>\$221.28</u>	<u>\$107.46</u>	<u>\$3,753.75</u>
Extraordinary Repairs		289.00	1,259.52
Surplus for Period	\$221.28	*\$181.54	\$2,494.23
Special Easter Offerings applied to Deficit of Former Years		1,454.50	2,590.30
Deficit Transferred to Profit and Loss.....		*\$1,636.04	*\$96.07

* Deficit.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. FILBERT,
Accounting Warden.

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

At the regular meeting on November 11 it was decided to postpone the opening of Pandora's Box until after the New Year.

On December 9 the business meeting will be held at 2.30 P. M., followed at 3.15 P. M., by two one-act plays given by pupils of School of Expression and Dramatic Art.

Our new choir mother, Mrs. Williamson, has assumed charge and new vestments will soon be made by members of her committee.

Plans for merging all societies into one have been approved and the new system will go into effect in January.

The Fashion Show was a success socially and financially, the sum of eighty-three dollars being reported to date.

Announcement was made of a Community Bazaar to be held at the Community House, Church of Transfiguration on December 10. The Cake and Candy Table will be in charge of St. Philip's and donations should be sent direct.

PARISH SUPPER

A most delightful Parish Supper was served on November 18, under the joint auspices of the Vestry and the Women's Guild. Over one hundred parishioners and friends were present.

Mr. C. C. Kinney, acting as toastmaster, declared the meeting to be quite informal and social, not for the purpose of raising money or explaining deficits.

Representatives of the various organizations of the Parish were called on and gave brief descriptions of their work. Mrs. E. H. Williamson spoke for the Altar Society, Mrs. W. H. Boyd for the Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. U. G. Beath for the Women's Guild and Miss Maria Blakiston for the Mothers' Meeting. The Rector spoke of the condition of the Church School, and the Young People's Society. Messrs. Pryor and Filbert gave encouraging statements regarding the financial condition of the Parish.

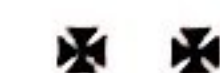
Mr. Kinney also described the work of the All Souls' Guild of the Philadelphia General Hospital in which St. Philip's is co-operating.

Several solos were sung by Miss Pearce, accompanied by the organist and choirmaster, Mr. A. T. Maynard.

All who attended felt inspired by the enthusiasm and optimism which prevailed.

Every organization connected with the Parish was well represented—Choir, School, Auxiliary, Guild, Altar Society, Mothers' Meeting, Scout Troop. Nearly all of the Vestrymen were present.

The Parish should take definite steps forward during the winter, and every prospect points to a "happy and prosperous New Year."



ADULT EDUCATION

Colleges are diligently working to keep their alumni "up to date" by periodic literature in the subjects studied during the years in college.

Libraries are issuing pamphlets of Reading Lists aiming to assist adults to acquire, or to increase, knowledge of general and cultural topics.

Industrial institutions, likewise, are seeking to give to their patrons information necessary to an intelligent grasp of business.

The Church has been in the forefront, in a sense, in Adult Education—through Prayer Book, Christian Year, etc. But in a more restricted sense Adult Education has not recently been widely developed in the Church.

Now we Church people are realizing that education is a continuous process, which must be followed regularly through life.

The Diocesan Commission on Adult Education is anxious to have some Adult Classes formed in every Parish.

The Rector conducted such classes in former years. The Woman's Auxiliary organized such classes during Lent.

The number of subjects to be studied is almost limitless.

Shall we have a Parish Bible Class meeting, say on Sundays at 10 o'clock? Or on some week night?

Let us "read, mark and learn, in order that we may inwardly digest God's revelation.

Persons desiring such a class are asked to notify the Rector.

PLEASE NOTE

Economy of time and postage is an important factor of Church administration.

If one member of your family receives notices, literature, advertisements of service, meetings, etc., from the Church, by mail or otherwise, please share with all in the household.

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Bishop Johnson.

The Puritans served a God who was too dour to approve of Christmas festivities.

Their descendants serve a God who is too pragmatic to approve of Christmas worship.

The spirit of Christmas lacked geniality in colonial New England: the spirit of Christmas lacks reverence in our own time.

It is remarkable how closely allied are the devotion of the saints and the exuberance of children.

Somehow we expect a St. Francis to be adored by children while a puritan elder or an agent of associated charities is not beloved, as a rule.

If Christmas is to have the atmosphere which gives it charm and joyousness, it must be lifted out of the commercial atmosphere which now pervades it, and restored to the personal character which makes it real.

How can a people to whom Christ is a philosophical concept, reduced to the sordid task of stimulating trade, and adding a moral note to cultured society, catch the spirit of the Babe of Bethlehem surrounded by the intimate devotion of peasants and shepherds, and accepting the simple gifts of royal wisdom?

Whatever else Christmas may become, it is essentially a season in which devout Christians shall "go to Bethlehem (the House of Bread), and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us."

Someone asked me the other day why so many learned folk were born men and died professors?

I answered that it was because they attempted to substitute logic for intuitions as the guiding principle of life, and so drifted away from the basic relationships of life which the uneducated masses never lose.

It was for this reason that the shepherds preceded the wise-men to the cradle at Bethlehem.

The shepherds followed their instincts and like children had but a short way to go in order to find the Christ-Child; while the wise men, dependent upon their

learning, were compelled to take a long and arduous journey which was interrupted by the selfish interests of unprincipled princes.

Moreover their visit lacked the intimate devotion of the shepherds. Simple people can be brought to Christ by simple methods, but the learned have a longer journey.

In between the simplicity of the shepherds and the culture of the wise men, was the half-educated population of Judea, which was a prey to charlatans, but incapable of appreciating either the innocence of the Virgin or the potential power of the Babe.

This is what the Gentleman with the Duster says of the voting constituency of England, and it is equally true of the mass of voters in America. They have lost the shrewd intuitions of the ignorant and have not acquired the wide culture of the educated.

The half-educated masses are thus the victims of caprice, are devoid of imagination, are given to cynicism, and act upon the impulse of prejudice.

When we consider the shrewdness of our revolutionary fathers, most of whom lacked the opportunities of education, coupled with the culture of such men as Hamilton and Jefferson, we can see how it was possible for such a group to produce and carry out the most remarkable Constitution in the history of the world.

They were not seriously hampered by the arrogant prejudices of the half-educated, or the theories of half-baked philosophers.

And I would call that man half-educated who had trained himself in science but was ignorant of the classics.

Had Hamilton and Jefferson been metaphysicians instead of classical scholars, they never could have compounded their differences, because each would have claimed the possession of demonstrable infallibility.

If we are going to preserve the spirit of Christmas in America for generations yet to come, we must rely on two factors:

The intuitions of peasants and children and the humility of scholars and savants.

In between are the half-educated who would make Christmas a stimulation of trade, or who would dissect the Babe of Bethlehem to see if he were a real babe.

OUR LADY'S CHILD

Our Lady had a pretty Child,
And wondrous fair was He.
So many came from far and wide
This Holy Child to see!

Our Lady loved Him right well,
Even as do we,
And though He had but humble home
A King He was to be!

The King of heaven and earth, my dear,
This pretty Child was He,
So many came from far and wide
This Holy Child to see!

And we may see Him, too, I think,
If we have but a care
To use our faith and keep it pure
To see this Child so fair!
—E. Sinclair Hertell.

LOOK FOR PANDORA'S BOX

THE CHURCH'S PROGRESS

An Essay in Christian Finance.

A parish is an essential part of the whole Church,—just as a family is an essential part of a nation.

If a Parish fails to do its share of the Church's work it has the same effect as that caused by a missing cylinder in an automobile—diminished speed, lessened comfort, more noise, increased expense.

Our Church has, in carrying out our Lord's commands, established Churches, Schools and Hospitals throughout the world.

These naturally require funds for their maintenance, and for the salaries of those who are assigned to them in different capacities.

The maintenance of this existing work is called the CHURCH'S PROGRAM. In terms of money, the Program calls for an expenditure of \$3,500,000 within the next three years for work of the Church under direction of the National Council, —outside the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

This Diocese is asked to give as its share for 1926, \$316,800.

For similar work within the Diocese of Pennsylvania (outside the independent Parishes) the amount required in 1926 is \$218,195.

Of these two amounts, totalling \$534,995, each Parish is very properly expected to pay a proportionate share.

This sum represents the Church's requirements for 1926.

If, as Christians, we would preserve the atmosphere of Christmas, we, too, must be willing to go to the House of Bread on Christmas morning to adore the Babe, of whom the Angel said:

"He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest, and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of David and He shall reign over the House of Jacob forever; of His kingdom there shall be no end."

To this Babe, therefore, we, who are free and independent Americans, must do homage or else forfeit the joyous privileges of His Kingdom, which alone can bring "Glory to God in the Highest and on earth peace, good-will to men."

We cannot have the spirit of Christmas if we refuse to acknowledge the Child who is the true Lord of Christmastide.

Unless we, too, set apart some part of the day to worship Him, we shall lose the power which makes Christmas a season of universal good-will.

We must do this thing or we are not fit to enjoy this blessing.

To observe Christmas without participating in Christ's Mass, is to live upon our capital which the devotion of our forebears has handed down to us.

But this is not all.

We must not merely attend the Mass in a mechanical way; we must go to the House of Bread determined to carry away the spirit of joy and good-will which emanates from His cradle.

It is bad enough to fail in our homage to our liege Lord on His natal day; but it is worse to render homage and then betray His commands.

Not only make your communion with Christ on Christmas week but come away in love and charity with your neighbors, devoid of bitterness, resentment and hate toward all men, even your personal enemies.

Let not Christmas pass without cleaning house and sweeping out the mean and the petty from your abode, that Christ may find it such that He may dwell in you and you in Him.

And so in spite of the Herods, and Pharisees and Sadducees; in spite of the calloused and the cynical and the spiteful, keep the feast in the spirit of the Angelic Anthem, for Christ is born into your hearts today and you are no more citizens of this world merely, but sons of God, having the spirit of Him who has raised you unto heavenly places by the grace which He so graciously bestows.

"To as many as receive Him, to them gives He power to become the Sons of God."

—The Witness.

In addition, the growing appeal for the Christian religion all over the world creates a demand for more Churches, Schools and Hospitals. The Church has boundless opportunities for expansion and so for bringing the "good news" of Christ to a needy world.

Expecting that Church people in parishes will wish to seize these opportunities, the National Council has selected the most pressing of these needs and designated them FORWARD WORK.

The amount for similar work in the Diocese of Pennsylvania for 1926 is \$25,000.

This sum represents the Church's hopes.

Both requirements and hopes can be met by Scriptural methods,—the first by TITHES (i. e., regular payments of stipulated amounts, varying according to individual ability), and by OFFERINGS (i. e., free-will gifts over and above the required payments for actual maintenance.

Our Parochial Needs for 1926 must cover a proportionate individual share of \$12,000, which is the approximate Parish Budget for the maintenance of existing work in St. Philip's for next year.

Our pledges for next year therefore should include:

- (a) A proportionate share of \$12,000 for the Parish;
- (b) A proportionate share of \$218,195 for the Diocese; and
- (c) A proportionate share of \$316,800 for the National Church.

Whether we make a single pledge and the Vestry apportions a definite amount for extra-parochial requirements, or whether we make a Duplex pledge, we should have these three factors clearly in mind.

It is often charged against the Church that people who come to the services hear more about money than about the Gospel. A popular writer has said, "The chief task of the clergy used to be to Save Souls. Now it is to Raise the Budget."

To the superficial observer it probably seems so,—and the less one knows about the Gospel and about the Budget,

the more it must seem that the Church has perverted her mission.

Yet properly, money is the acid test of our desire to save souls. If that is strong enough, we shall not criticise the economically compiled Budget. But if our Christian, that is evangelizing, witnessing, urge is lacking, of course, the expenditure of any money is quite useless.

Reference to money,—as illustration of essential truths, formed an astonishingly large portion of our Lord's addresses and conversations. It is not purely material. It does not mean that the Church is mercenary. Only to shallow thinkers does it seem so.

Really the Church needs money—and more money, for two reasons:

1. Because she is undertaking more work in saving souls than she has ever done before;
2. Because all work, and all material for that work, costs more than ever before.

Let us be reasonable, and fair. Then we shall be generous.

F. E. S.

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Lord, I am like to mistletoe,
Which has no root and cannot grow
Or prosper, but by that same tree
It clings about: so I by Thee.
What need I then to fear at all
So long as I about Thee crawl?
But if that tree should fall and die,
Tumble shall heaven, and so down will I.
—George Herbert.

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THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. Thou shalt have no gods but Me.
2. Before no idol bow the knee.
3. Take not the Name of God in vain.
4. Do not the Sabbath day profane.
5. Give both thy parents honor due.
6. Take heed that thou no murder do.
7. Abstain from words and deeds unclean.
8. Steal not though thou be poor and mean.
9. Make not a wilful lie nor love it.
10. What is thy neighbor's do not covet.

NEXT YEAR, AND THE NEXT AND THE NEXT. WHAT OF THE FUTURE?

It is always a serious matter for any Parish to look forward to its future.

Hundreds of persons are helped by its ministrations and its influence. It sanctifies the home life by Marriage and Baptism. It encourages the active members by Confirmation and Communion. It comforts the bereaved by Christian consolation. It nurtures the children in its school, and inspires the worshippers in its services. It is a stabilizing and elevating element in the community.

It does not seem right that the future of such an agency for good should be precarious.

Yet it is, in every parish. People move away. They die, actually or metaphorically.

Few leave an impression in the parish which has contributed so much to their spiritual welfare.

Three remedies to this condition are suggested,—one by the Prayer Book.

1. "The Minister—shall admonish (the sick) to make his Will. But men should often be put in remembrance to take order for the settling of their temporal estates whilst they are in health." "The Minister shall not omit earnestly to move such sick persons as are of ability to be liberal to the poor."

Thus the Prayer Book bids us remember the Poor,—and by implication, the Parish, in our Wills.

But more people leave bills than wills,—and comparatively few think they have sufficient to provide for their family and the Church. Consequently their contributions to the Parish stop when they move, or die.

Yet, if one has contributed ten cents a week—a bequest of \$100 would continue approximately that amount indefinitely. A bequest of \$1000 would continue indefinitely a weekly contribution of one dollar,—and so on.

2. A second method is the Insurance plan, by which the parishioner insures his life with a regular insurance company, making the Parish his beneficiary for the amount of the policy.

3. A third method is in operation successfully in many parishes. It is called the Cumulative Endowment Plan. Each person connected with the Parish commences a Memorial Endowment Fund, either for himself or another,—of such amount as he designates, paying one dollar (or more) and adding to that fund on special occasions, anniversaries, annually, or otherwise. Each "fund" is kept in the name of the donor, and grows with the gifts which are made from time to time. Thus the influence of the parishioner in the Parish is retained; the memory of the parishioner by the Parish is maintained, and the Parish receives the income from the accumulated endowment.

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Pandora's Box is soon to be opened.

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DISHONESTY, DEAD CONSCIENCE, OR WHAT?

By Loyal Layman.

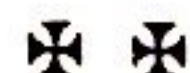
Dear Mr. Editor:

During your wide and successful experience in the ministry you must have come across a large number of people—Christians—who, to all appearances, had no idea whatever of honesty and honor when it came to their financial obligations to God. As a layman having some connection with the financial affairs of my parish I am stunned in going over the accounts to find the names of communicants to whom it would be an insult to question their honesty in business matters, yet, whose consciences are so dead as regards their financial obligation to the Church.

As I go over the books with my colleagues in the autumn, we find legions of parishioners who have not made a single offering from April to the present—September. At seashore and in the mountains they have sojourned having a jolly time, which means abundance of money spent for railroad tickets, gasoline, hotel bills, parties, etc. But amid all this gayety these good (?) Chris-

tians of St. Judas' Church have never forwarded a cent by mail or otherwise. Those who were in the city but absented themselves, making believe they were out of town, did likewise. It is, indeed, a mystery to me how these people differentiate between their obligations to God and man. I believe with the Prophet Malachi that it is nothing short of robbing God. The unreasonable thing about these gentry is that they belong to that class in the parish that demand "more for their money" (?) than anybody else.

Perhaps the following story may interest those whom I have in mind: "A prominent clergyman used to tell of one of his parishioners who had been very sick. A physician had given him some medicine and told him he could go out, but under no circumstances was he to get wet. The man went out on the farm and a shower of rain came up suddenly. There was no shelter near, and to save himself he crawled into a hollow log. The action of the rain caused the log to shrink so as to endanger his life. He could not move, and being brought face to face with death, the whole of his past life came before him as in a panorama. He remembered the days of his childhood, his entrance upon life, his success and his sins; then he remembered last of all, that when he left home that morning he refused his wife when she asked him for fifty cents for the Church, and the thought made him feel so small that he had no difficulty in getting out of the log."—The Church Advocate, Baltimore.



A NEW CREED

The new "Creed" by the Rev. Francis E. Webster, Rector of Christ Church, Waltham, Massachusetts:

"I believe that my Church is entitled to as much attention as men give to their social clubs, the Masons, Rotary, Kiwanis, and similar organizations:

"I believe that the trend of the age is away from personal attendance at Church, relying on money as a substitute for personal service:

"I believe that my personal attendance at the Church's service is more vital and essential than my money or anything else I have to give:

"Therefore I am resolved to present myself regularly at least once each Sunday at some service in Church, when not prevented by some valid reason."

—From The Living Church.



EVANGELISM

The National Council has recently published a book by the Rev. J. A. Schaad, "*Evangelism in the Church*," wherein he has gathered together his experiences and conclusions based on his work for two years as a General Missioner of the Church. This book has met with a favorable reception and is a distinct contribution to the subject of Evangelism, particularly lay Evangelism. It is of a piece with the service which the author has rendered to the whole Church generally in helping to restore a proper sense of New Testament Evangelism in the Church and in training clergy in various parts of the Church for the conduct of Parochial Missions.



WHY DR. NEWTON BECAME AN EPISCOPALIAN

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Fort Newton, distinguished minister of the Universalist Church, who will succeed Dr. Norwood at St. Paul's Church, Overbrook, has issued a statement giving the reasons for his change to the Episcopal Church.

We believe it will be beneficial for members of this ancient and historic communion to study Dr. Newton's words carefully because they contain such an excellent appreciation of the character and mission of our Church.

Dr. Newton's letter was as follows:

"Since I learned to know the Episcopal Church in England, in the blazing days of war, something deep in me has responded to its sweet and tempered

ways. Its atmosphere of reverence, its ordered and stately worship, its tradition of historic continuity, linking today with ages ago; its use of those symbols which enshrine the faith of the past and the hope of the future; its wide and wise tolerance; its old and lovely liturgy—like a stairway, worn by many feet, whereon men climb to God—and, still more, the organized mysticism of its service and sacraments—all those things of beauty and grace move me profoundly.

"But more vital still, if possible, is the central and strategic position which the Episcopal Church holds in the confused religious situation of our time. It is the roomiest church in Christendom, in that it accepts the basic facts of Christian faith as symbols of transparent truths, which each may interpret as his insight and experience explores their depth and wonder.

"Midway between an arid liberalism and an acrid literalism, it keeps its wise course, conserving the eternal values of faith while seeking to read the Word of God revealed in the tumult of our time. If its spirit and attitude were better understood it would be at once the haven and the home of many vexed minds torn between loyalty to the old faith and the new truth.

"After all, there is only one church of Christ. It may wear many names, but its faith is one, and finally, or soon or late, it will be one in fellowship, drawn together by creative desire, if not driven together by the sheer necessity of facing the forces of destruction in our day, which, if they have their way, will end in materialism and futility. Each man should labor where he can do his best work in behalf of our common Christian enterprise, and I look forward to happy and fruitful service in a great and gracious fellowship."

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The Christmas party of the Church School will be held on the evening of Monday, December 28, in the Parish House. Plans are being made to make this evening a very happy and enjoyable one, and we hope a large number of the members of the School and their friends will attend.

On the morning of Sunday, December 27, at 11 o'clock, a Children's Service will be held. The whole School will assemble in the Church and not leave for a lesson period. Suitable hymns and carols will be sung.

The Church School has a very definite Service Program, which plans at Christmas time to give gifts for twenty-five children in Diocesan institutions. These gifts, with others from other Schools, will be exhibited in the Diocesan Toy Shop, in the Church House, before being sent to the designated institutions.

On December 23, in connection with the Toy Shop, a carol service will be held, and moving pictures of "The Diocese at Work" will be shown.

Attendance record. Commencing with the January issue of "The Record," the names of members of the Church School who have been perfect in attendance during the preceding month will be published.

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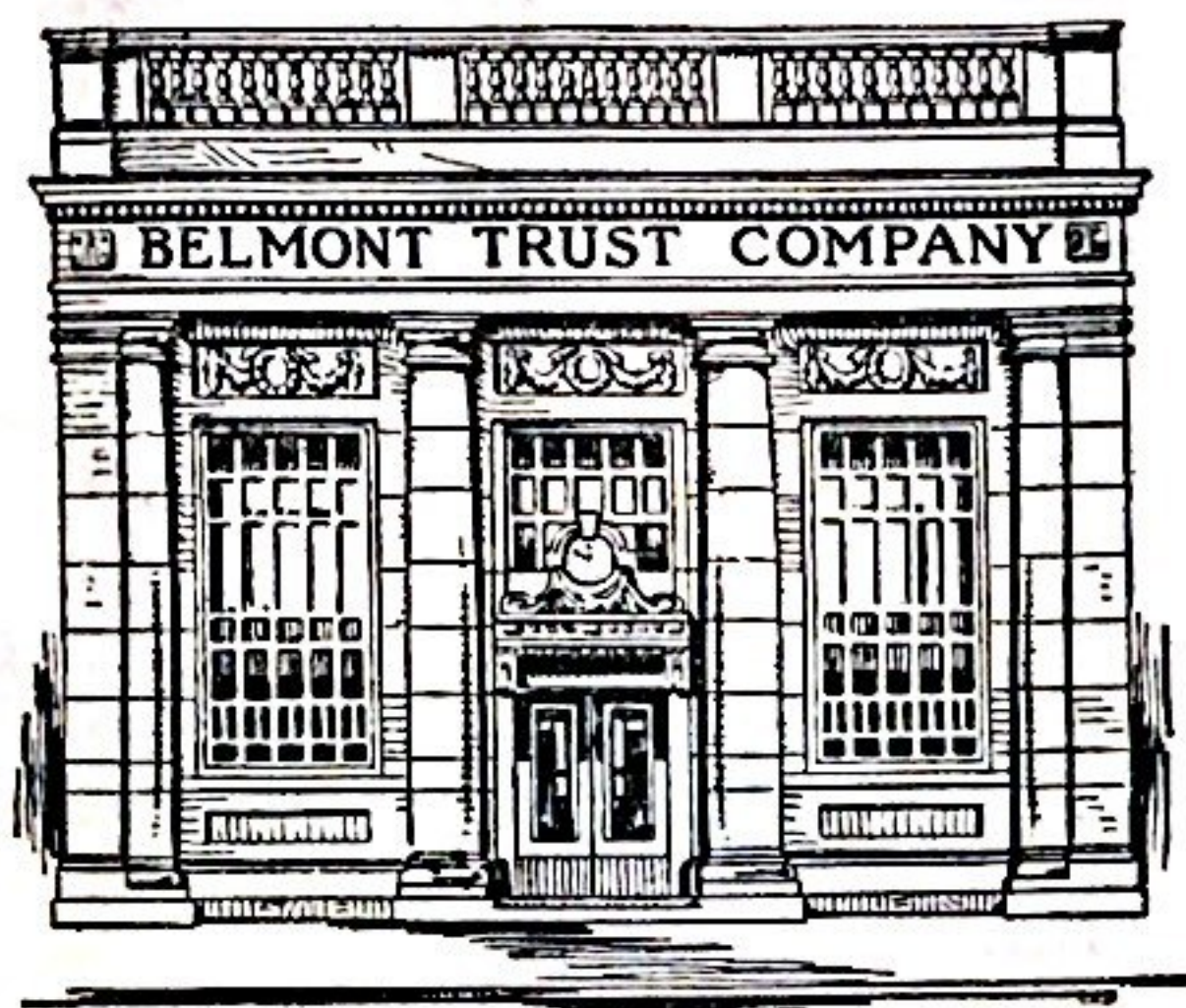
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Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
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7.45 P. M. Evening Service

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Sundays, 9.45 A. M.
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STANDING NOTICES

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CALENDAR

April

- 6—Fifth Sunday in Lent (Passion Sunday).
- 13—Sunday next before Easter (Palm Sunday).
- 14—Monday before Easter.
- 15—Tuesday before Easter.
- 16—Wednesday before Easter.
- 17—Thursday before Easter (Maundy Thursday).
- 18—Good Friday (Strict Fast).
- 19—Easter Even.
- 20—EASTER DAY.
- 21—Monday in Easter Week.
- 22—Tuesday in Easter Week.
- 27—First Sunday after Easter.
- 28—St. Mark's Day (by transference).

May

- 1—St. Philip and St. James' Day.
- 4—Second Sunday after Easter.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptism.

March 16—Catherine Atkinson Wolf.

Marriage

March 4—John Isham Squire and Helen Barrett Boyd.

Burials.

Feb. 23—Matilda Longbine.

March 18—John Walter Marker.

Communicant Received.

March 9—Miss L. A. George from St. Mary's Hamilton Village.



Someone has described the minister as the "friend-at-large" of the community. Think this out. Do you know of anyone else to whom strangers in trouble have a right to go, sure of sympathetic advice and help? Others have called the clergyman an "ambassador of Christ." Think what it means to live before men as the representative of Our Lord, empowered to speak for him with infinite spiritual resources behind you. Yet, again, the minister is the medium through whom spiritual life flows to men. Truly, it is a great calling.

The Chapel.

On Ash Wednesday the Chapel was used for the first time, and a brief service of Benediction read. It is proving a great convenience in many ways. It is attractive and churchly and conducive to devotion.

The necessary alterations and furnishings were paid for by an interested parishioner.

The flower vases are the chalices given by Zion Church to St. Philip's in 1841. These have been gold-plated by contributions from the Mothers' Meeting, which has also furnished the Altar desk.

A suggestion as to seating in the Chapel may be opportune.

The pews in the transept (the Chapel proper) seat 12 persons comfortably. These should be filled before the seats in the adjacent parts of the Church are taken. Then the pews back of the Chapel may be occupied.

The Altar rail in the Chapel accommodates five or six persons, with one or more kneeling at each side of the small "chancel."

Attendants are asked to sit *as far front* as possible, not only in the Chapel, but at all services in Church.

Sanctuary.

Mid all the traffic of the ways,
Turmoils without, within,
Make in my heart a quiet place
And come and dwell therein.

A little shrine of quietness
All sacred to Thyself,
Where Thou shalt all my soul possess
And I may find myself.

A little place of mystic grace
Of self and sin swept bare,
Where I may look into Thy face
And talk with Thee in prayer.

Come, occupy my silent place,
And make Thy dwelling there.
More grace is wrought in quietness
Than any is aware.

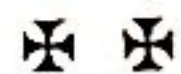
—Oxenham.

THE WOMAN'S GUILD

On Wednesday, March 12, an interesting meeting of the Women's Guild was held, with 25 members present. On March 19 there was an all-day meeting for sewing on cottas for the choir and finishing the screens for use in the Church School.

The members are now interested in the "Personal Effort." All money made by this is to be brought in at the May meeting. The Personal Effort means the making of money in some way, either by saving or doing without some things, that money can be saved and put to the fund. This money, and the yearly dues of \$1 are all for our own benevolent objects—buying coal for those in the parish in need of it; filling the Christmas baskets and sending flowers to the sick, etc. The money raised and given to the Guild through the interest of our friends in the parish is all used for Church purposes. The aim of the Guild is to be a help to the Church.

MARTHA W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.



MOTHERS' MEETING

Every Tuesday evening an enthusiastic meeting of mothers—and some who are not mothers—takes place in the Parish House, under the leadership of Miss Ashburner and her faithful assistants.

The mothers come from widely scattered points—from Thirty-fourth to Sixty-fourth streets. They come for social fellowship and for active work, preceded by a brief devotional service.

The success of this meeting—a fine type of Christian Social Service—is seen in its works.

It leads every organization in the parish in two particulars: In percentage of United Thank Offering, and in enrollment in the Cathedral League, of which practically every "mother" is a member.

The mothers have been generously interested in the equipment of the new Chapel, as mentioned on another page.

The Rector is deeply grateful for this enthusiasm and liberality.

Many of these women were connected

either personally or through their families, with Trinity Church, Maylandville (Forty-second and Regent streets), before it was moved to Baltimore avenue and later merged with St. Philip's.

More of our people ought to know about this organization.

Plan to spend an evening with the "mothers."

Know your parish.



Good Friday Offering.

An agreement has been made between Bishop Garland, representing the Jerusalem and the East Mission, and the National Council, whereby the first \$15,000 of the Good Friday offering is devoted to the work of the Mission (as heretofore), and the balance to maintain chaplains to assist in guiding the educational movements in Palestine. These chaplains have been requested by the Eastern Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople and Antioch, and by the Armenian Patriarch of Jerusalem.

The offering in 1923 was \$18,171.42, so the balance was sufficient for the expenses of one chaplain and the first year's work on a limited scale. The Rev. Charles T. Bridgeman has been appointed as the American Chaplain in Jerusalem, effective May 1, 1924.

There is a crying need for the extension of this work of helping the afflicted Churches of the East to train new spiritual leaders.

Therefore, an increased offering is greatly needed.

A Community Need.

The Young Women's Christian Association has for some years maintained a West Philadelphia Branch at 5122 Irving street. The work has been so successful that the present very limited quarters have been outgrown.

A definite effort is being made to increase the membership of those interested in the work to 1000, with the hope that the increased interest of the larger number of enrolled members may eventually enable a new building to be erected.

Membership dues are only \$1.00 a year. All who appreciate the work the Y. W. C. A. is doing for women and girls are urged to join.

Let St. Philip's women render a real Community Service by enrolling.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Faculty Meetings.

A very pleasant and profitable method of holding Faculty meetings has been followed during the past winter.

A simple supper is served at six o'clock by a committee appointed from the teachers. This gives opportunity for social intercourse. Between courses, minor items of business are transacted, and after the supper, the main business of the evening is discussed. The meeting lasts until eight o'clock, so that other evening engagements may be kept.

The attendance has been good; the interest better, and the suppers have been of the best. It has been discovered that we have on the Faculty, good cooks as well as good teachers!

May Breakfast.

Following a custom of some years' standing, the Sunday nearest to St. Philip's Day (May 1) is observed as the Corporate Communion of the Church School. The service is followed by breakfast in the Parish House.

As Easter Day comes this year so near to St. Philip's Day, our Annual Corporate Communion will be held on May 11, the second Sunday in May at 7.30 A. M.

Let every confirmed member of the Church School plan to attend this service and the breakfast.

Young People's Society.

On Sunday evenings in Lent the Y. P. S. is engaged in Mission Study under the leadership of Mrs. John Loman.

All boys and girls between 16 and 25 are invited to attend;—Sundays, at 7

Lenten Offering.

Previous years' record has encouraged us to place our goal for this year at \$700. P. M.

It means work and sacrifice. *It can be done.* The need of money is great throughout the Church, to carry on and extend the Kingdom of God.

The principal object of our Lenten offering this year is the purchase of a Ford car for use in the Missionary District of Eastern Oregon.

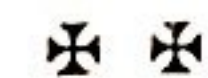
Let us see that the Ford is fully equipped. We can never send it to Bishop Remington without tires, for instance, or other necessary parts.

Illustrated Service.

Have you attended the Friday afternoon services this Lent? If not, you have missed something worthwhile. If not, you ought to make the effort as a matter of Church loyalty, Lenten Devotion and Personal Information.

You have given money for Missions in the past year. Come and see the results of your gifts—the work you have helped to support.

Fridays at 4.30.

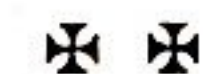


COMING EVENTS

A Dance will be given by the Church School, on the evening of April 25, in the Parish House, for the purpose of raising money to defray the expenses of the Church School Picnic, which will take place early in June. This ought to be well patronized.

The Young People's Society is preparing to give a play some time in May.

The Church School Service League will present an Easter Pageant, "Why Didn't You Tell?" on the first Sunday after Easter during the Church School Session.



A LETTER FROM YOUR GODDAUGHTER

St. Ouen, February 9, 1924.

My dear Godmother:

I am sending you this little letter to give you my news which is very good at this moment, and I hope it is the same with you. Grandmother joins me in thanking you for the money order we have just received. I hope you have received my little New Year's card. I am continuing to work and I will be happy to get some orders later. That will keep me with the good care I am receiving. I have only to keep continuing to do well.

Receive, dear Godmother, all grandmother's and my hearty thanks.

LUCIENNE BERNARD,

care Madame Lente,
49 Avenue des Batignolles,
St. Ouen.

Christianity.

Christianity is the Way of Life.

Man is a free agent—free to choose his master—free to walk the way of death or the way of life.

Sin follows the choice of self.

Sin is separation from God.

Man, even though sinful, desires union with God. "He was made for God and can find no rest until he finds rest in Him."

The Church is the Way back to God.

The functions of the Church are:

To proclaim the manifold wisdom of God.—Eph. 3:10.

To proclaim the unsearchable riches of Christ.—Eph. 3:8.

To preach repentance and remission of sins.—St. Luke 24:47.

The Power of the Church is stated in St. Matt. 28:19, 20; St. John 20:21-23.

Members of the Church are bound by certain rules.

Three promises are made by members of Christ (Church).

1. To give up whatever Christ says is wrong.

2. To believe whatever Christ says is true.

3. To do whatever Christ says is right.

There are six duties of Christians:

1. To pray to God privately.

2. To worship God publicly, especially in the Holy Communion.

3. To read the Holy Scriptures.

4. To give contributions of money and help to those in need.

5. To be good citizens.

6. To be keen to tell others about Christ and to help people by our example to follow Him.

There are six great benefits of Church membership:

1. Companionship with Christ.

2. Brotherhood with all members, of all nations, living and departed.

3. A fresh, clean start in a higher life, after Confession and Absolution.

4. Help against temptation.

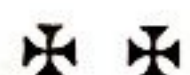
5. Strength in sickness or any other trouble.

6. Comfort in loneliness, pain and death.

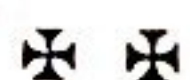
Otherwise expressed, these six benefits are included in Fellowship, Food and Forgiveness.

THE WORLD'S BEST SELLER

The best edition of the Holy Bible, for general reading and study, is The American Revised Version, with the revised Apocrypha. It is published by Nelson & Sons. Bourgeois 8vo. is the type and size recommended. Never purchase a Bible without the Apocrypha, which the Church orders read "for example of life and instruction of manners."



"The Church is the divinely appointed agency for establishing the Kingdom of God on earth, and religious education is the greatest instrument for accomplishing the task."—W. A. Squires.

**Needy German Children**

"Whoever may be to blame for the tragic situation in Germany, the children are certainly innocent. We cannot turn them away. We should be less than Christians if we did."

"If thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him to drink.. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."—Romans 12:20, 21.

"I was hungry and ye gave me to eat; I was thirsty and ye gave me to drink . . . Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these My brethren, even these least, ye did it unto Me."—St. Matt. 25:35, 40.

"Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward."—St. Matt. 10:42.

2,500,000 German children are starving. 50 to 70 per cent. of the children are undernourished.

Children over two years of age get no milk.

10 times the former tuberculosis rate among school children.

No one (individual or nation) liveth to himself. We are affected by this condition. "If one member suffer, the whole body suffers."

WILL YOU HELP?

Contributions may be sent to the Federal Council of Churches, 105 East Twenty-second street, New York, or to the Accounting Warden.

EASTER**Services**

Holy Communion—6.30, 7.30, 11 A. M.

Morning Prayer—10.30 A. M.

Church School Festival, 4 P. M.

Communions.

EVERY communicant is expected to receive Holy Communion on Easter Day. Please plan to do so.

If you are away from your Parish Church—be sure to attend elsewhere and notify the rector for his records.

If any are unable to attend services through illness or infirmity, please request the rector to administer the Holy Communion privately during Easter week.

Church School Festival

This will take the place of the evening service. The Missionary Offering of the Church School will be presented. The Church should be filled.

Offering.

Of course you will make an Easter Offering.

We owe to God an offering expressive of our gladness for the joy of the Festival, and of our devoted thankfulness for the inner meaning of it, the assurance of life after death, of reunion and recognition of friends in "The Great Beyond."

The offering of prayers and praises is fundamental. The offering of money is symbolical and should be commensurate with our devotion, and proportionate to our ability.

This is the "debt" we owe, which must be paid in the Easter Offering—the offering of "our selves, our souls and bodies," in the Holy Communion, symbolized sacramentally by the money we give, which represents ourselves transmuted into power of service.

If—as is now the case—other debts exist in the parish (due to neglect in the past, or other causes) they, too, must be paid, in addition to the primary obligation.

So, let there be an offering for the deficit, and let there be an Easter Offering—just for God,—as a loving response for His gifts of pardon and peace, of gladness and Life in Christ.

EASTER DECORATIONS

Everyone will desire to share in the decoration of the Church at Easter time. It is too great a festival for an individual memorial. Let it be a Parish Memorial in gratitude for the Resurrection, and the hope and assurance of eternal life.

Contributions for flowers and plants (to be distributed afterwards to the sick) are earnestly solicited and may be given to any member of the Altar Guild, or placed on the Alms basin, properly marked.

**EASTER ELECTION**

On April 21, Easter Monday, the annual election of Vestrymen will take place in the Parish House.

The names of four nominees appear in the Vestibule of the Church.

Other nominations may be made, in writing, by any qualified voter, if sent to the Secretary, Mr. Charles C. Kinney, at least ten days before the date of the election.

**THE GIFT OF GIVING**

"Whilst distributing Scriptures amongst the Chinese members of a boat's crew I noticed that each man placed an apple or biscuit or lemon or other article of food on a little shrine on which was erected a wooden image of their god. I enquired what was meant by these men putting these articles thereon and was informed that whenever a man made a purchase he gave part of his goods to his god. I tried to point out the futility of it all and gave them some portions of Scripture, but I could not help thinking what a good thing it would be if Christians gave so bountifully to their God as these Chinese do to theirs."—Chart and Compass.

MISSION STUDY DISRUPTS CHURCH VESTRY MEETING

The Rev. N. B. Groton, rector of St. Thomas, Whitmarsh, is leader of a mission study class that has been organized in St. Asaph's, Bala, and which is holding sessions Wednesday nights.

There's no particular news in that, you will pause to remark. When it is disclosed that Mr. Groton's work blocked and interrupted the progress of a meeting of St. Asaph's vestry your interest may increase. That's why The Church News copy reader ventured to build a "sensational newspaper" headline to this article.

The Rev. Benjamin N. Bird, rector of St. Asaph's, is leader of a mission study class in another parish. Mr. Bird and Mr. Groton are bully good friends. When the rector of St. Asaph's went to his January vestry meeting he hadn't the slightest suspicion that Mr. Groton's mission study class had affected his vestry. The minutes of the last vestry meeting were read without anyone's attempting to put a motion that the reading be dispensed with.

Then the storm broke. One vestryman said something about the mission study class. Another began to talk about Japan. In a minute the entire vestry was discussing the importance of supporting missions. Coal bills, Episcopal, Convention and Sustentation Funds were brushed aside.

"This is a vestry meeting, not a mission study class," broke in Mr. Bird.

"Now wait a minute, rector," someone interrupted, "those missionaries in Japan;—they—". And so it went on. Vestry business, parish details, all forgotten. Missions had the right of way.

It developed that virtually the entire vestry had enrolled in the mission study class, and parish interest in the Church's mission in Japan is growing.

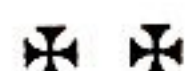
Bishop Anderson once said in a sermon: "The work of the laity is to make Christians, to convert people. The work of the clergy is to edify and strengthen the converts. If the laity could be aroused and made to realize their responsibility and to do their part of this work, the cause of Christ would make rapid progress."

BOY SCOUT SERVICE

St. Philip's Troop, No. 241, is planning to have another Troop service, the last one having been so successful. We are inviting Troops from all the Episcopal Churches of District Six, as well as Troops from other churches in the immediate neighborhood.

This service is to be held on the Sunday prior to Memorial Day, May 25, and we hope to have a large attendance of parents and friends of the boys, as well as the boys themselves.

J. WILLIAMSON MILLER,
Scout Master.



RULES OF ORDER

We print below a set of rules which a little girl in one of the orphanages maintained by the Near East Relief in Greece drew up:

1. Every person which live in orphanage, they mustn't think that they are free.
2. Any person without special permission, they mustn't go any place.
3. In the food time, everybody must be present.
4. In pray time, you must be present and specially you will be still and quiet.
5. Nobody must go to bed until he has done pray for his self.
6. In the morning when you are awake from your sleeping, you mustn't make any voice; if you make voice the others will be awake.
7. Every person must make his work and duty with faithfully not to show to the mens, but for the God.
8. Every girl, they must be careful do not speak lie and beware to speak bad and dishonest word.
9. Be careful to not be thief and not quarrel with each other.
10. Everybody must speak with each other with lovely and kindly.
11. Every person mustn't blaspheme never, nor to say donkey, dog and such bad words, because you are created like the picture of God.
12. All of them that they did not obey this orders, they will be punished.

These are rules of more than local interest. All groups might adopt them—even small family groups.

—The Churchman.

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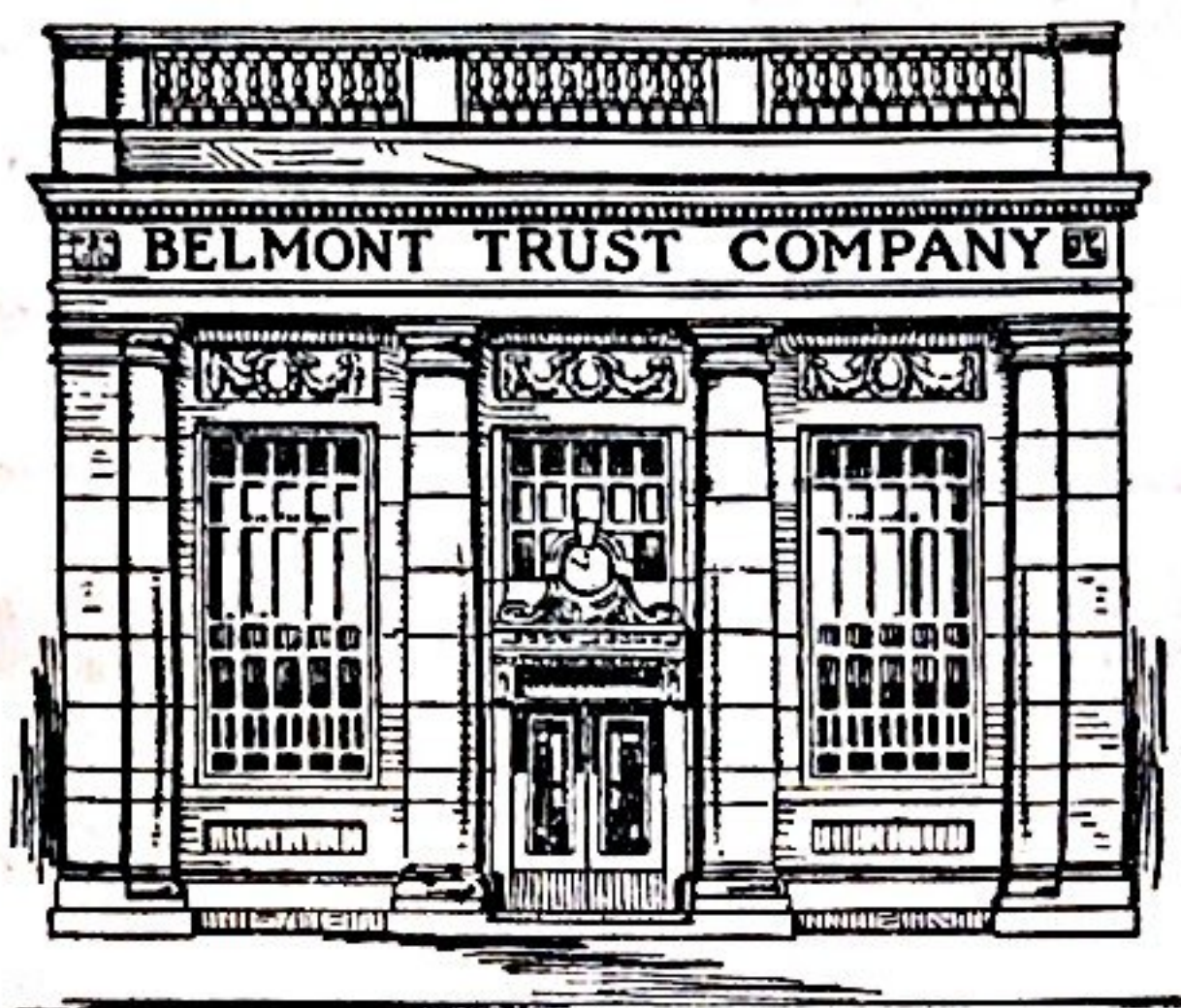
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SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
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STANDING NOTICES

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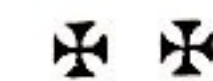
CALENDAR

May.

1. St. Philip and St. James' Day.
4. Second Sunday after Easter.
11. Third Sunday after Easter.
18. Fourth Sunday after Easter.
25. Fifth (Rogation) Sunday after Easter.
- 26, 27, 28, Rogation Days.
29. ASCENSION DAY.

JUNE

1. Sunday after Ascension.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptism.

April 19—Marjorie McKee.

Communicants Received.

April 10—Cora K. Custer, Adele E. Jones,
from Church of the Advocate.

Communicants Transferred

April 3.—Stephen D. Colhoun, to St.
Mary's Church, Ardmore.

April 10.—Dorothy Skerrett, to St. As-
aph's Church, Bala.

April 10.—Emily C. Gilliams Daniel, to
St. Matthias' Church.

Easter

"Thanks be to God Who giveth us
the victory."

We thank Him, also, for the large
number of people who knelt at the
Altar on Easter Day—311 (a larger
number than last year), and received
the Bread of Life.

We thank Him, too, for the sub-
stantial offering which our people made
for the support of the parish. The
Accounting Warden received on Easter
Day, \$1426 for Parish Expenses, to
which should be added over \$400 re-
ceived previously for the same purpose.

The response to the appeal of the
Finance Committee has been whole-
hearted and liberal.

The Rector, Wardens and Vestry de-
sire to express their thanks to the con-
gregation of St. Philip's.

Memorials.

On Easter Day, two memorials were
used for the first time, and were blessed
at the first service.

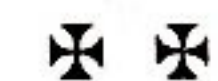
A hand-made silver Bread Box, for use
on the Credence Table, was given by Miss
Emma Sachse. It bears the inscription, "In
Memorium, Julius Friedrich Sachse, Em-
ma Caroline Sachse, Caroline Sachse Ty-
son." Around the edge of the cover appear
the words, "I am the living Bread which
came down from heaven; if any man eat
of this Bread, he shall live forever; yea
and the Bread which I will give is My
Flesh for the life of the world."

This memorial was made by Mr. Hol-
lingsworth Pearce.

A pair of handsome brass Eucharistic
candlesticks were given by Miss Edith
Goheen. These bear the respective in-
scriptions, "In Memoriam, J. Warner Go-
heen, 1849-1899." "In Memoriam, Mary
Pugh Goheen, 1849-1923."

These memorials are gratefully re-
ceived from the donors, and will add
much,—one to the convenience and fitness
of the service, the other to the rich sym-
bolism of the Holy Communion.

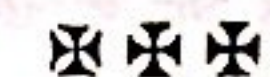
The two Altar Lights symbolize Christ
the Light of the World, in His two na-
tures, Divine and Human.



A Devout Custom.

It is a devout custom for communicants
to remain kneeling after a Celebration,
until after the Eucharistic Lights have
been extinguished.

No one, except in extreme emergencies,
should leave the services before the Bene-
diction.



Thanks.

The Altar Guild desires to thank all
those who so generously provided funds
which enabled the Church to be so beau-
tifully adorned with flowers and plants on
Easter Day.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

MAY

1. St. Philip's Day, St. John 1:43-51.
2. The Parish, I Cor. 16:1-13.
3. Christian Co-operation, I Cor. 3:3b-11.

The Christian Family.

4. Family Life, St. Luke 2:42-52.
5. Marriage, Eph. 5:22-33.
6. Christian Home, Col. 3:18-4:1.
6. Christian Home, Col. 3:18-4:1.
8. Education, Deut. 6:1-9.
9. Childlikeness, St. Matt. 18:1-14.
10. Guardian Angels, Dan. 10:16-19.

O blessed Jesus, Who for thirty years didst dwell in Thy humble home at Nazareth, be with Thy servants in this our home; Keep from it all pride and selfishness and impurity, that it may be a dwelling-place meet for Thy sacred Presence. Grant us to grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of Thee; guide us throughout our life on earth, comfort us in all troubles, strengthen us in all weakness, and bring us at last to Thy Home in Heaven, where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, Thou givest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen.

Joy.

11. Joy of Religion, St. Matt. 5:1-12.
12. Cheerfulness, Psalm 104:33-24.
13. Gladness, Psalm 100.
14. Fearlessness, Acts 4:13-20.
15. Kindness, Col. 3:12-21.
16. Peace of Mind, Psalm 37:3-11.
17. Satisfaction of Religion, Eph. 3:14-21.

Almighty God, at Whose right hand are pleasures for evermore, we pray Thee to make our religion one of joy and brightness. Dispel from our minds all doubt, gloom and depression, and may we rejoice because we are Thy redeemed and forgiven children. Grant that day by day our lips may be singing Thy praises, and our hearts be gladdened in holy anticipation of the life that knows no ending, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Loyalty.

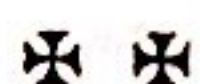
18. Loyalty, St. Matt. 22:15-22.
19. Loyalty to God, I St. Peter 2:11-17.
20. Loyalty to Christ, Phil. 1:15-21.
21. Loyalty to Friends, I Sam. 20:17-23, 40-42.
22. Loyalty to Principle, Acts 4:13-20.
23. Loyalty to Home, St. John 19:25-27.
24. Loyalty to Nation, I St. Tim. 2:1-7.

O God our Father, Whose best gift is friendship and Who alone canst give the power to be a friend, fill our hearts with the cleansing passion of Christ's love, and help us so to show the spirit of His friendship and loyalty, in self-forgetful love for our friends that they may find His sake Who laid down His life for His it easier to believe in Him. Grant this for friends. Amen.

Prayer.

25. Spirit of Prayer, St. John 17:15-21.
26. Prayer in Silence, Rev. 8:1-4.
27. Form of Prayer, St. Luke 11:1-3.
28. Persistence in Prayer, St. Luke 11:9-13.
29. (Ascension) Glorified Humanity, Acts 1:6-11.
30. (Memorial Day) II Esdras 2:42-48.
31. America's Contribution, Esther 4:13-17.

Almighty God, Who hast promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in Thy Son's Name, we beseech Thee mercifully to incline Thine ears to us, who make our supplications and prayers unto Thee, and grant that those things which we faithfully ask according to Thy will may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity and to the setting forth of Thy glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



"Someone has described the minister as a great calling."—Selected.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Seven years ago on the first Sunday after Easter I became your rector.

The great war accompanied the first year's association. The great "confusion" has marked the rest of the period.

It is said that the body changes every seven years. Certainly the process of change during these years, in the body parochial, has been quite marked. The personnel of the parish has changed at least fifty per cent. The population of the community has probably changed more.

Thoughts, theories, methods and ideals,—all have undergone change, more or less complete. We have had to make experiments, under the changing circumstances, much as a skater tests the ice before committing himself to it.

There are signs that life is becoming more stable. At any rate, physiologically, we have completed the process of change from what we were seven years ago. Hence we are new creatures,—which is the gist of the Easter message,—risen to new life, with new tasks.

We must take up these new duties with new courage.

The Church has undergone reorganization in its financial methods. The new has not yet fully fitted on to the old. There are rough places; but with patience, the progress of the Kingdom will be advanced. Social life has changed, due to problems of service and resulting in boarding and apartment houses.

Perhaps the home is less settled, after its disturbance, than other factors in civilization. Yet it is more fundamental and important that the home should be restored to its former position as the foundation of society. For the ideals of the home create the practices of youth and others in society, and so mould for good or ill the future of the nation.

Probably no greater need exists, in this social order, than the re-consecration of the home, by the recognition of the responsibilities of parenthood, the maintenance of discipline, as of equal or greater value than culture, in the nurture of parents and children in the fear and admonition of the Lord.

The great need of the day may be summed up in two words, which, in their fullest content, express the thoughts of all serious students of the age—RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

That is a subject which has been in my heart, and to which for nearly twenty years. I have devoted much study and attention. It includes more than the Church School—which is only one stage. It must commence before Church School age—even before a child's birth!

If it is true to say that in order to make a man a gentleman you must begin with his grandfather, it is certainly true that to make a child a Christian you must commence with his parents, and if a child is not religious, he is a dangerous citizen, potentially.

I bespeak the hearty co-operation of the entire parish, and particularly of all parents, in the accomplishment of plans for religious education which are being made for next Autumn.

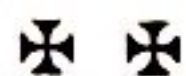
Faithfully, your friend and rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

EVENTS OF THE MONTH

In the Parish.

1. St. Philip's Day,—our Parish Name Day. The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 7:30 A. M. All interested in St. Philip's should endeavor to be present.
 11. Corporate Communion of the Church School, at 7:30 A. M., followed by a May breakfast.
 16. Young People's Play.
 18. Musical Service.
 25. Boy Scout Service, 7:45 P. M.
 29. Ascension Day, Holy Communion, 7:30 and 9:30 A. M.
- In the Diocese.
1. Institution of the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D., at Bishop of Pennsylvania—Holy Trinity Church.
 - 6 and 7, 140th Annual Convention of the Diocese, Holy Trinity Church.
 18. Annual Service for the Presentation of the Missionary Offering from the Church Schools of the Diocese. Holy Trinity Church. Preacher, Bishop Gailor.
 22. Convocation of West Philadelphia, with Musical Festival. Church of the Saviour.
 24. Spring Meeting of the West Philadelphia Branch, Sunday School Association, St. Paul's Church, Oaks, Pa.
 31. Meeting of the Church School Service League and Bishop Bricks ice League and Bishop's Bricks Fund. St. Martin-in-the-Field, Chestnut Hill.



"The Lord bless thee!"

How shall He bless thee?
With the gladness that knoweth no decay
With the riches that cannot pass away,
With the sunshine that makes an endless day,
Thus may He bless thee.

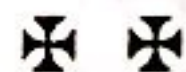
"And keep thee!"

How shall He keep thee?
With the all covering shadow of His wings,
With the strong love that guards from evil things,
With the sure power that safe to glory brings,
Thus may He keep thee.

Women's Guild.

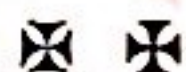
Remember the meeting of the Guild on May 14.

The "Personal Effort" Fund will be presented by the members, who according to an interesting custom describe the way in which the "Fund" was raised by the individual. It is astonishing to learn how many ways there are of raising, earning, saving and giving money!



Cantata.

On the Wednesday evening in Holy Week, the choir, augmented by two additional soloists and other singers, sang "The Crucifixion," by Stainer. It was an extremely impressive service, which was appreciated by a large congregation.



JAPANESE FUND

At the meeting of the Executive Council held on April 10th, the following resolution was adopted:

"It is recommended that the Executive Council be requested to inform the National Council that the Diocese of Pennsylvania will find it exceedingly difficult to make an adequate response to the special offering on behalf of the Japanese Reconstruction Fund this spring. In view of the special appeal in January for the 1923 deficiency and the effort involved in increasing the contributions to maintenance for the current year, and in consideration of the proposed campaign for a large sum on behalf of the Philadelphia Divinity School, which is to take place in May, it would be a handicap to the Japanese Fund to stress its appeal this time. Therefore, it is suggested that the National Council give approval to our decision to postpone a special appeal in the Diocese until the fall, save in so far as solicitation has already been made and the co-operation of particular parishes secured; and that this action be communicated to the Foreign Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary, and to the parishes."

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Church School Festival.

The Carol Service of the Church School was well attended on Easter afternoon. While Easter carols were sung, the Missionary offering which had been presented at the close of the brief opening service, was counted, the total being \$418. This is a splendid offering, and hearty thanks are given to all who took part. Several boxes have not yet been returned, and it is confidently expected that the final amount will reach, if it does not exceed last year's total of \$650.

We have promised a Ford to Bishop Remington.

During the afternoon, pupils of the Church School recited scripture passages relating the story of Easter-tide, and the choir sang verses of appropriate hymns.

The carols were enthusiastically sung, and the entire service was inspiring.

A TEACHER'S CREED

The words of Randall J. Condon, quoted from his creed for the kindergarten teachers come as a guide and inspiration to the great army of teachers who are devoting their efforts to the task of training children.

"I believe in little children as the most precious gift of heaven to earth. I believe they have immortal souls created in the image of God. I believe that in every child are infinite possibilities for good or evil and that the kind of influence with which he is surrounded in early childhood largely determines whether or not the budding life shall bloom in fragrance and beauty, with the fruit thereof a noble and Godlike character.

"I believe in play as the child's normal effort to understand himself through free self-expression, and I believe, too, in work, but work that is joyous, and that the joy in the doing comes largely from the well doing.

"I believe in freedom, but not in license, in prompt, cheerful obedience, in punctuality, regularity, accuracy, industry and application; that wisely self-directed activity should result in self-control, in self-forgetfulness, in an increasing desire to choose the good and beautiful, and to contribute to the happiness of others.

"I believe in cultivating the intellect and the will, but I believe, too, in soul-culture and that out of this cultivation comes the more abundant life, bringing forth the fruits of the spirit of kindness, gentleness, joy, peace, truth, faith, hope, love, reverence for God and for each other, and for all His lowly creatures.

"Heavenly Father, to the work of a teacher I believe thou hast called me, and to it I give all that thou hast given to me of insight and wisdom and strength and love and gentleness and patience and humanity."



"I LOVE THE CHURCH"

By Arthur Cleveland Coxe.

I love the Church—the Holy Church—
The Saviour's spotless bride;
And oh, I love her palaces
Through all the land so wide:
The cross-topped spire amid the trees,
The holy bell of prayer;
The music of our Mother's voice,
Our Mother's home is there!

And here, Redeemer, are Thy priests
To shed Thy mercy wide,
Baptizing to the Trinal Name,
With waters from Thy side.
To rule and feed the flock of Christ,
To fight, of faith, of strife,
And to the host of God's Elect,
To break the Bread of Life.

And kneeling at the altar's rail,
With blessings all divine,
As from the Saviour's hand, they take
The broken bread and wine;
In one communion with the saints,
With angels and the blest,
And looking for the blessed hope
Of an eternal rest.

I love the Church—the Holy Church—
That o'er our life presides,
The birth, the bridal, and the grave,
And many an hour besides!
Be mine, through life, to live in her,
And, when the Lord shall call,
To die in her—the spouse of Christ,
The Mother of us all.

Gambling.

In many small stores are seen slot machines in which a coin is placed, and a piece of gum is received, but if the coin happens to go in a certain direction, a greater return is received. Naturally there is temptation to "try again" hoping for "better luck next time."

These are gambling devices, which the police have orders to seize.

"Punch cards," by which it is hoped to punch a lucky number covered by a small seal, and "chances" on various things are also gambling devices.

Members of St. Philip's—particularly pupils of the Church School who perhaps come into more contact with this form of evil,—should have nothing to do with such things.

Dances and Late Hours.

The Parish House may be used for dances, (under proper supervision) amongst our own people and their friends, but such dances must terminate at 11:30 P. M.

This is somewhat opposed to modern custom, when dances hardly commence until nearly that time.

Nevertheless, it is the rule for the use of the Parish House.

If there is any pleasure in dancing,—and doubtless there is, there must be, of course, just as much between 8 and 11, as between 9 and 12 or after! Time is only an arbitrary convenience of reckoning. "Daylight saving" shows that we can adapt ourselves to artificial time. In the summer, we go to an entertainment at 7 o'clock (though we call it 8 o'clock) and derive as much pleasure as when, in the winter, we attend the same kind of entertainment, actually at 8 o'clock!

It would be greatly beneficial, if our children particularly, and young people too, were brought up with more simple entertainments, and if home parties "broke up" at 11 o'clock, or earlier, and if parents insisted upon their daughters (and sons) returning home promptly thereafter.

Thus is not old-fogeyism;—it is common sense and decency.

The extravagances of the present day are largely the result of parental indifference and weakness.

"WHAT'S THE USE"

By Bishop Johnson

Let us suppose that some multi-millionaire, who was concerned at the indifference of Christians to the obligation of public worship, should make it possible for the National Council to place a twenty-dollar gold piece in each seat of every church in the United States next Sunday, limiting the attendance to those who had taken the vows of confirmation, and announcing that each one so attending might take home the money; and if the sense of shame could be eliminated from the transaction, I wonder what percentage of the excuses which will be made for non-attendance would evaporate and Christians would be confronted with the sordid fact that the love of money was after all a greater motivation in their lives than the love of Christ?

Of course I am willing to concede that many would say that the love of Christ has nothing to do with my attendance at divine worship, but I would reply, "If that is not the motive behind Church worship, what is?"

Surely no one would say that he went to Church every Sunday because he was anxious to hear the preacher say something which would make him want to go again. Such a vicious circle of church attendance would end in a reductio ad absurdum, for the time would inevitably come when poor preaching would empty the Church.

The Church of Christ was not established to provide us with a sacred concert, or an oratorical contest, or a millinery display, or a business opportunity, or a social conquest. When Christ established the Lord's Supper, He attached a motive to His command.

Be sure to "do this" in the same spirit and with the same motive which would govern us in any memorial act which we might do for our dearest friend.

This service was given to those who loved Him as a token of His love for them, and they are to do this as a token of their love for Him.

And it works out that way.

I. IMPORTANCE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**a. The Situation.**

"There are over 27,000,000 American children and youth, nominally Protestant, under 25 years of age, who are not enrolled in any Sunday School, and who receive no formal or systematic religious instruction." (International Sunday School Council Report, 1922.)

youth of the United States, under 25 "Seven out of every ten children and years of age, are not being touched in any way by the educational program of any Church." (Report.)

"In school, every pagan god in history may be taught, but not the God of the Bible. A knowledge of Greek and Roman gods is often one of the requirements in courses necessary to graduation." (Literary Digest, March 15, 1924.)

"Religion and morals somehow have dropped out, along the road, in our educational progress." (Literary Digest, March 15, 1924.)

"In schools of religious instruction, Jewish children receive 335 hours annually, Roman Catholic children receive 200 hours annually. Protestant children receive 26 hours of religious instruction annually." (Report.)

"Pupils enrolled in Protestant schools are absent from half of the Sunday School sessions." (Report.)

"Two-thirds of the Protestant children and youth of America are untouched by the educational program of any Church, and the one-third that are reached, receive only, an average of thirteen hours of religious instruction annually." (Report.)

"The more efficient our public school system becomes, the farther it is taking our children away from morals and religion." (W. G. Shepherd, in Good Housekeeping, February, 1924.)

b. The Result.

1. "Eighty per cent. of the criminals are boys and young men, less than 25 years old." (Justice Cropsey, in Literary Digest, March 22, 1924—Diamond brothers' conviction.)

2. "The vast majority of all the youthful offenders, committed crime because they had bad associates and were not under proper influences in the years when boyhood was turning into manhood—between 12 and 18." (Justice Cropsey.)
3. "Tests show that more than one-half of our American children in schools, will, under temptation, have an unethical outlook on life—that they will cheat, lie and steal. Answers to a True-False Test given to thousands of American children afford proof that under American life, way down deep into its very childhood, there is unmorality in thought, and downright approval of dishonesty." (W. G. Shepherd, in Good Housekeeping, February, 1924.)
4. "A feeble public conscience has almost discarded every form of religious and moral instruction, and surrendered the home as the mainstay of virtue." (Literary Digest, March 22, 1924—"Our Share in the Murderer's Guilt.")
5. "It seems that it is not the business of the public schools to teach the child the plain and simple morals of everyday living. The result is seen in the unparalleled growth of crime of every sort in the United States." ("Why Children Cheat and Lie"—Literary Digest, March 15, 1924.)
6. "Religious instruction has been abandoned to a large extent, and America is just now paying the penalty." (Rev. Walter M. Hewlett, in Literary Digest, March 22, 1924.)
7. "American youth are lacking in reverence. Their sense of the sacred has never been developed. They do not know the attitude of worship. They have no conscious knowledge of God." (Rev. Walter M. Hewlett.)
8. "The gallows, and the chair are sorry substitutes for the Sunday School and the old-fashioned altar

of maternal knees." ("Our Share in the Murderer's Guilt"—Literary Digest, March 22, 1924.)

9. "The things that have made girls into bandits are indifferent and irresponsible parents, which is to say, the modern father and mother; economic pressure, and lack of the most important thing in the world—spiritual schooling." (Miss Helen P. McCormick, Assistant District Attorney, Brooklyn, in Public Ledger, April 13, 1924.)

c. The Remedy.

First, we recognize the great value of the Christian home, and the personal influence of the consecrated teacher.

We recognize, too, the supreme importance of the development within the souls of the young, of habits of worship, and the re-establishment of family worship.

We are certain that nothing can take the place of these influences.

But, in addition, we believe that teachers trained thoroughly in scientific religious pedagogical methods can more readily impart the contagion of their spirit, and train the young in the practices of devotion.

There are many indications, on every hand, of the present trend towards religious education.

"Sound religious education is the great need of the present day." (Robert D. Towne, Public Ledger, April 14, 1924.)

"Religious education is coming back. Regular daily hours of worship, combined with systematic instruction in things spiritual will soon be included in the routine of every child of public school age in New York City, according to plans being formulated by Jewish, Roman Catholic and Protestant authorities acting in joint conference with public school authorities." (Rev. Walter M. Hewlett, Literary Digest, March 22, 1924.)

"We must insist upon having God taught, along with geography and algebra. The boy or girl studying biology has far more need of a knowledge of the Bible than the boy or girl of half a

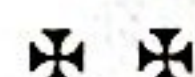
century ago, whose studies were more simple and fundamental." (W. G. Shepherd in Good Housekeeping, February, 1924.)

"We have made the discovery that unless children are taught religion, they will not be religious. We have also made the discovery that children can be scientifically taught religion in such a way that the course of their entire lives will be changed." (Dr. W. S. Athearn, in Good Housekeeping, February, 1924.)

"Under scientific religious pedagogy, children can be taught goodness so that they will really be good. Spiritual inspiration can be put into their minds so that it will remain there and will become the motive of their lives." (Dr. W. S. Athearn, in Good Housekeeping, February, 1924.)

"So acute has become the need of training children in ethics that school teachers of all religions in New York City are co-operating with the clergy to establish schools of spiritual study for boys and girls of school age. Many of these boys and girls have not even the rudiments of spiritual training." (Miss Helen P. McCormick, Assistant District Attorney, Brooklyn, in Public Ledger, April 13, 1924.)

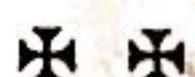
To make this remedy effective the co-operation of the parents is absolutely necessary. The day school has taken the problem of education from the parent, but religious education must rely fundamentally upon the parents' example and interest.



A Kiss.

In a recent letter from Lucienne she says: "I help my grandmother all I can. I am 14 years old, and hope to get a position that has future to it. I am doing everything possible to please those who are interested in me."

"Your goddaughter sends you a big kiss."



My grace is sufficient for thee: for my power is made perfect in weakness.—2 Corinthians 12: 9. (A. S. V.)

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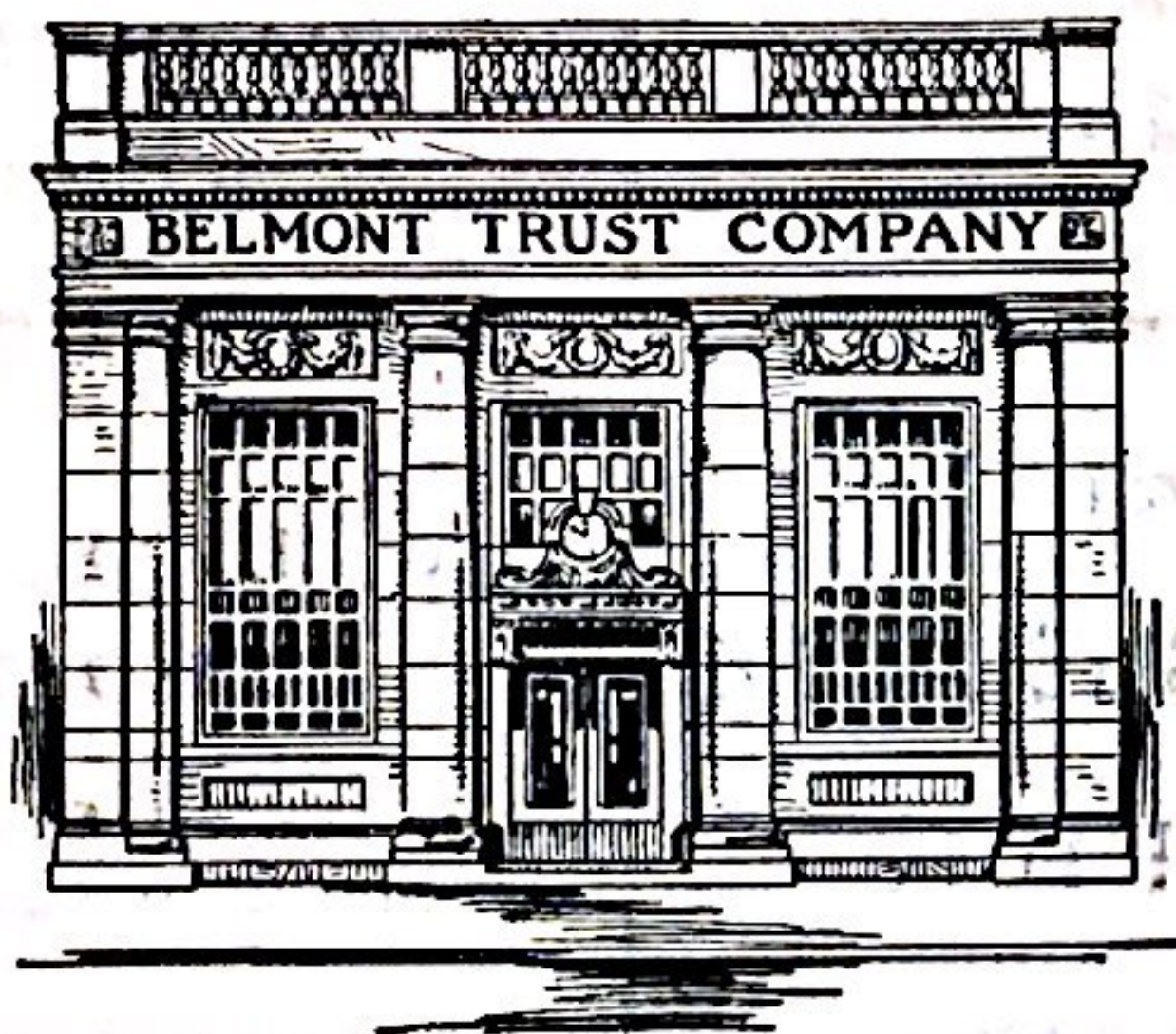
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SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
11.00 A. M. Morning Service, (First and Third Sundays
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7.45 P. M. Evening Service

Thursdays
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Holy Days, 9.30 A. M. Holy Communion

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CALENDAR

June.

1. Sunday after Ascension Day.
8. WHITSUNDAY.
- 9, 10. Monday and Tuesday in Whitsun-week.
- 11, 13, 14. Ember Days.
15. TRINITY SUNDAY
16. St. Barnabas' Day (by transference).
22. First Sunday after Trinity.
24. Nativity of St. John Baptist.
29. St. Peter's Day (Second Sunday after Trinity).

PARISH REGISTER

Marriage.

27. Kendall Cropper Marshall and
Florence Louise Gledhill.

Communicants Received.

- May 22—Mina S. Mell from St. John's
Church, Kane, Pa.

Communicants Transferred.

- May 12—Rev. J. J. Joyce Moore.
Mrs. Grace Benning Moore.
Paul Benning Moore, to Church
of the Saviour.
- May 16—Mrs. Anita L. Eyster,
James A. Eyster,
Ralph K. Eyster, to St. Mary's
Church.
- May 25—H. Dunstan Smith
H. Dunstan Smith, Jr., to All
Saints' Church, Wynne-
wood.



Summer Services.

Services may be expected in St. Philip's
every Sunday.

During July and August, Holy Com-
munion, 7.30 A. M.; Morning Service at
11 o'clock.

Evening and week-day services will be
omitted, after June 15, until further no-
tice.

Services will be in charge of the
following clergymen:

During July, the Rev. Lewis R. Lever-
ing Chaplain of Shattuck School, Fari-
bault, Minn.

During August, the Rev. C. Estornelle,
Rector of St. John's Church, Camden,
N. J.

The Rector is confident that the
clergymen will be warmly welcomed to
our Parish.

Don't leave God behind, when you go
away. Attend Church regularly
wherever you may be, and remember this
parish particularly at the Altar on the
Festival of the Transfiguration, August
6.



Flowers for the Altar.

Flowers are furnished for the Altar
as follows:

June

- First Sunday,
Second Sunday, Mrs. M. T. Ringer.
Third Sunday, Miss M. Bement.
Fourth Sunday, Mrs. W. P. Bement.
Fifth Sunday,

July

- First Sunday,
Second Sunday, Mrs. J. H. Zebley.
Third Sunday, Mrs. J. H. Zebley.
Fourth Sunday, Mrs. J. H. Zebley.

August

- First Sunday,
Second Sunday,
Third Sunday,
Fourth Sunday,
Fifth Sunday,

September

- First Sunday, Mrs. A. Vandevoorde.
Second Sunday, Rev. F. E. Seymour.
Third Sunday,
Fourth Sunday, Mrs. G. W. Caldwell.
Flowers are quite plentiful during the
summer, and should adorn the Altar
every Sunday.

Application for vacant dates may be
made to members of the Altar Guild.

The Chapel Altar may also be sup-
plied by "memorial" flowers, upon appli-
cation.



Spring's Ritual.

Song Sparrow—*Introit* sings.
Robin—"Kyrie, Kyrie."
Redwing—Chanteth, "I believe!"
Oriole—Clarions, "Hear ye!"
Hermit Thrush—A *Sanctus* flutes.
Through arches veiled in mist.
Snowdrop—Rings her Sacring-bell.
Crocus—Lifts the Grail.
Dandelion—Golden Paten spreads.
Star flowers—Tremble, pale.
Lilac—Tosses incense high
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PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." Continue steadfastly in prayer."

JUNE

- Christian Unity (Octave of Prayer).
1. Thanksgiving for the Church, Eph. 1:15-23.
 2. The Church in the World, Acts 2:38-47.
 3. The Christian Experience, St. John 17.
 4. The Fellowship of the Church, Rom. 12.
 5. The Worship of the Church, I Cor. 11:23-26.
 6. The Agony of the Church, I Cor. 11:27-30.
 7. The Church of Today, I Cor. 1:10-25.
 8. The Church that is to be, Eph. 5:22-33.

O God, our Shepherd, give to the Church a new vision and a new charity, new wisdom and fresh understanding, the revival of her brightness and the renewal of her unity, that the eternal message of Thy Son, undefiled by the traditions of men, may be hailed as the good news of the new age, through Him Who maketh all things new, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Spirit.

8. Gift of the Holy Spirit, Acts 2:1-11.
9. Directions of the Holy Spirit, Deut. 5:1-22.
10. Gospel of the Holy Spirit, Acts 11.
11. Temple of the Holy Spirit, I Cor. 3:1-17.
12. Influence of the Holy Spirit, Acts 4.
13. Fruits of the Holy Spirit, Gal 5:16-25.
14. Grieve not the Holy Spirit, Eph. 4:1-6, 30-32.

O Holy Paraclete, Consolation of the Sorrowful, gracious Spirit, come down at this time with Thy mighty power into the depths of our hearts. Gladden there with Thy brightness every dark retreat, and enrich all with the dew of Thine abundant comfort. Kindle our inward parts with holy fervor, that the incense of our prayers and praises may ever go up to Thee, O our God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessed Trinity.

15. In the Incarnation, St. Lu. 1:26-38.
16. In Baptism, St. John 1:29-34.
17. In the Teaching of Jesus, St. John 3:1-15.
18. In the Training of the Disciples, St. John 16:1-15.
19. In the Teaching of the Apostles, Acts 2:22-26.

20. In the Life of the Church, Eph. 3:14-21.
21. In the Heavenly Places, Rev. 4.

Keep us, O Lord, from the vain strife of words, and grant to us a constant profession of the truth. Preserve us in the Faith, true and undefiled; so that we may ever hold fast that which we professed when we were baptized into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; that we may have Thee for our Father, that we may abide in Thy Son, and in the fellowship of the Holy Ghost; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Trinity-tide.

22. Majesty of God, Isa. 40:12-31.
23. Holiness of God, Isa. 6:1-8.
24. Revelation of God, I St. Tim. 3:14-16.
25. Purpose of God, Eph. 3:1-12.
26. Universality of God, St. Matt 28:16-20.
27. Approach to God, Eph. 2:11-22.
28. Union with God, St. Matt. 3:13-17.

May the infinite and glorious Trinity, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, direct our life in good works, and after our passage through this world, grant to us eternal rest with the righteous. Grant this, O Eternal and Almighty God. Amen.

Love of Nature.

29. The Garden of God, Gen. 2:8-17.
30. The Delights of the Garden. Song of Sol. 2:1-3, 10-13.
- July 1. The Fruits of the Garden. Song of Sol. 4:12-16.
2. The Beauties of Nature. St. Matt. 6:26-30.
3. The Shepherd's Song. Psal. 23.
4. The Praise of Creation. Psal. 148. (A National Hymn.)
5. The Tree and River of Life. Rev. 22:1-5.

O Most high and almighty good Lord God, to Thee belong praise, glory, honor and all blessing!

Praised be my Lord God with all His creatures, and specially our brother the brings us the light; fair is he and shines brings us the light; faith is he and shines with a great splendor.

O Lord, he signifies to us Thee!

Praised be my Lord for our mother the earth, the which doth sustain us and keep us, and bringeth forth divers fruits and flowers of many colors, and grass.

Praise ye and bless the Lord, and give thanks unto Him and serve Him with great humility. (St. Francis' "Canticlo of the Sun.")

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

As a pre-vacation message, for careful consideration during the summer, I quote the following extracts from an editorial in a recent issue of "The Living Church":

"WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF A PARISH?"

The answer to this question must be divided into four parts, and no parish is fulfilling its destiny unless it develops each of these four functions:

1. It is to afford a centre of worship for all the parishioners.
2. It is a training school for children and adults in the Christian faith and life.
3. It is a centre for the idealism of a community.
4. It is a unit in promoting the work of Church extension and Church activity in the Diocese and in the World.

It would be profitable if each parishioner would *weigh his parish* with respect to its ideals and to its accomplishments on each of these four sides.

It is easy for any of us to become one-sided. It is equally easy for a parish to over-develop one or other of these functions to the exclusion of the others.

Each of the functions is, however, of such magnitude that it could not be exaggerated, so that, if, in some cases, one or other of the functions seems unduly stressed, the criticism would be that under-emphasis was given to the functions that were not being sufficiently developed—and that seriously limits the usefulness of a parish.

Theoretically, most Churchmen agree that the Holy Communion should be the chief service on the Lord's Day. Practically, this is carried into effect in only a comparatively small number of churches. Apart from the question of "fasting Communion" and urging that in the interest of keeping the late service, when Holy Communion is administered, reasonably short, it would be well if communicants would agree that, at least, normally, they will make their communions at the early service, leaving the later service for the aged, for those living at a distance, for mothers of small children, and others thus reasonably prevented from attending an early service.

The teaching office of the Church has not been effectively ministered in the past, but two different movements are seeking to improve this condition. We need a new sort of preaching; not merely better preaching of the ordinary type. We need informative instruction classes, where Church matters can be informally explained. This is being provided in a measure through Preaching Missions. The other movement is that which the Department of Religious Education is making to give a new perspective to our Church Schools, supplementing them, as rapidly as possible, with week-day education. Wherever the Christian nurture system is being used, there is a real attempt to *make Churchmen*, and not merely to supply answers to questions.

As a civic centre of idealism, class work in social problems is very urgently needed in all our churches. The class room and not the pulpit is the proper place to present concrete applications of moral principles.

That the parish is a unit in the work of Church extension is far better recognized today than ever before in the American Church, but there would be less apathy toward the raising of parochial and diocesan quotas if the conception of the parish as a small unit in a great work were more generally held.

The parish is only fulfilling its purpose when it develops the entire four relationships in due proportion."

If, when we resume our work in the autumn, we do so with a larger perspective of its magnitude, and consecrate ourselves to carry out that work in due proportion, the parish of St. Philip's will indeed be blessed.

Faithfully your friend and rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

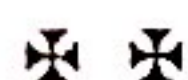
The Women's Guild.

The last meeting for this season of the Women's Guild was held on Wednesday, May 14. It was most interesting and has ended a very successful winter's work, both in the work done by its members and in raising of money for Church use, and for benevolent work of the parish.

It was "The Personal Effort" afternoon. The amount brought in was over \$151. This is a splendid result, and means much self denial. One hundred and twenty-five dollars of this money was voted to be given to the Benevolent section and is to be used for buying coal, clothing, etc., filling baskets at Thanksgiving time and in sending flowers to the invalid and sick of the parish.

Mrs. Ellis D. Thompson, a former member of the Guild, gave a most interesting talk on her travels and experiences while in China and Japan. She also displayed many beautiful things, kimono's, silk table covers, beads, etc., which she had procured in those countries. The Guild extended thanks and appreciation for the delightful "Travel Talk" she gave. The annual party followed. All voted it a fine ending for this season.

MARTHA W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.



The Choir.

On every hand the Rector is greeted with congratulations on our excellent choir.

Of course he is not responsible for it, but he adds his written commendations to his words spoken to the Choir, in thus recording the satisfaction the parish has in its Choir, and he testifies to the faithful and excellent work done by our organist, Mr. Maynard, of whose untiring efforts, the present Choir is the result.

On the evening of May 18, a splendid musical service was rendered, consisting of miscellaneous anthems and instrumental selections, concluding with a festival Te Deum, by Jordan.

It is worthy of comment, that, apart from the instrumental music, it was our regular Choir who presented the program. Do not, therefore, wait for another musical service, but come every Sunday!

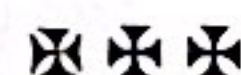
PLEASE

Remember the expenses of the parish continue throughout the summer months, even though congregations are smaller.

Therefore please remit your regular subscriptions *before* you leave the city, or remit, by check, to the Accounting Warden regularly, while you are away.

A large part of past deficits has been caused by failure to pay pledges (or—formerly—pew rents) during the summer.

Absence from the city or the Church, does not relieve a subscriber from his obligation, which is based on a *fifty-two* week pledge.



MOTHER'S MEETING

Tuesday evening of Easter week an entertainment was given to the members of the Mother's Meeting. It was said by several people to have been the nicest "party" we ever had. Potted plants and asparagus ferns, with lighted candles, made our room look most attractive.

As usual, we opened the entertainment with Easter carols and a short service. Many thanks to Mrs. J. L. Boyd, Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Claghorn, whose selections in reading and music, vocal and instrumental, made our evening very enjoyable.

Ice cream and cakes were served. Each member received a card and a chocolate egg.

Twice Mrs. Corliss has made us delicious sponge cake and has also brought us fudge. We thank her.

The 29th of April the meeting was closed for the season. The attendance through the winter has not been as large as usual, owing to the many stormy Tuesdays and to sickness.

We have been much interested in the new chapel, and 16 of us are members of the Cathedral League. Our United Thank Offering was \$40.42 and we have sent \$5 from our "Missionary Box," and \$2 "special," to Miss Ormsby, at the Hebrew-Christian Synagogue, for her "Discretionary Fund."

Miss Ashburner and her helpers wish to thank all who have been interested in this work.

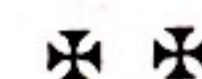
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Seven Years.

During the present Rectorship, the Parish Register shows:

Baptisms	88
Confirmations	120
Burials	140
Marriages	45
Communicants received by transfer	169
Communicants lost by transfer	132
Communicants lost by death	60

There have been 985 Sunday services, and 930 week-day services. The Holy Communion has been administered 956 times in Church and 135 times in private houses.



Gifts and Memorials.

Within the past seven years a large number of gifts, large and small, have been made to the parish by interested parishioners. These gifts have come gradually, often unheralded, and have been quietly received, and unostentatiously put to use.

It is well to recall the gifts and the givers, and to record them at this time with grateful recollection.

- A vestibule Prayer Card.
- A Litany-desk Book.
- An Altar cross for the Chapel Altar.
- Eucharistic candlesticks for the Chapel Altar.
- A Della Robbia Plaque for the Font.
- A Diocesan Flag.
- Three Hymnals for Chancel use.
- One Hymnal for Church School use.
- An electric Cross.
- An Altar-desk for the Chapel.
- A silver Bread Box.
- Eucharistic Candlesticks for the Altar.
- A processional Cross for the Church School.
- A processional Cross for the Church.
- A Baptismal Ewer.
- Oriental rugs for the Sanctuary.
- Through the generosity of Mrs. J. S. Macgill the notice boards on the Church Tower have been renovated.
- The Chapel alterations were made pos-

sible through the liberality of Miss Maria S. Blakiston.

To all who have thus added to the beauty of the Church and its services, whose prayers and gifts have been accepted by God, hearty thanks are given.

(Note—The Rector will be happy to suggest other possible gifts!)



Needs of the Church.

Before long, it will be necessary to repave the sidewalk around the Church. There are many more or less dangerous places in it now.

The "improvement" of the adjoining lot, makes desirable improvements on our property, or we suffer by contrast.

The unsafe condition of our sidewalk makes repairs imperative.

Brick pavement is not altogether satisfactory. We should have cement. The cost of this would probably considerably exceed \$1000.

Considerable renovation must soon be made on the Organ. The electric contacts have rusted, causing unreliability in the use of various parts.

Experts say these cannot be repaired, but must be replaced.

This will cost about \$700 or \$800.

A suggestion—Either of these objects might be considered as a "thank offering" or a "memorial" and gifts for this purpose would be gratefully received.



St. Monica's.

For several years, interested persons have contributed money to enable our neighbors at St. Monica's (Woodland avenue and St. Mark's Square) to conduct a Daily Vacation Bible School or to provide healthful recreation for some of the needy members of that parish who otherwise could not find relief from the heat.

The Rector hopes that we may continue our wonted generosity, and will be glad to receive contributions, duly marked "for St. Monica's," and forward them to the Rev. Richard Bright.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Young People's Society.

On May 1, the Y. P. S. gave an excellent play, "A Case of Suspension," followed by a dance.

Unfortunately, very few of the parishioners were present, much to the discouragement of the young people, especially as the purpose of the play was to provide money to make a gift to the parish!

However, the play was remarkably well acted, and the players did credit to their coach, Miss Nellie P. Ferry.

Miss Claire Williams announced the program as follows:

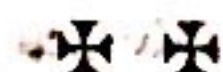
Kathleen, the maid Janet Wolf
Students in Miss Judkin's Seminary:

Dot Dorothy Wolf
Alice Charlotte Eyer
Mildred Eleanor Corliss
Jonas, the hired man ... Harry Seymour
Professor Edgerton Philip True
Friends of the Students:

Harold Harold Hoffer
Jack Leroy See
Tom Tom Holloway
Miss Judkins Harriet Culin
The Fenton Orchestra (consisting of two members of the Y. P. S.—Messrs. Holloway and Hoffer, and Mr. Fenton, of the Philadelphia Divinity School), provided music for the dance.

Nearly \$50 was realized, most of which has been presented to the parish.

On Thursday evening, June 5, the play will be repeated, for the young people of Holy Trinity, in Holy Trinity Parish House.



Perfect Attendance

The following teachers and pupils appear by the records of the Church School to have perfect attendance for the school year, 1923-1924: Mr. R. A. Hershey, Mr. H. O. J. Childs, Mr. A. E. King, Mrs. L. H. Riegner, Mrs. George Edwards, Miss Elisabeth Eyer, Mr. Paul Moore, Harold Hoffer, Murdoch Goodwin, George Riegner, Adelaide Wright, Salome Riegner, Virginia Wolf, Eleanor Wolf.

We congratulate them on their faithfulness.

Birthday Thank Offering.

Have you had a birthday since January 1? If so, did you make a Thank Offering to the Church School, using the envelope provided for that purpose in your weekly set?

If you did have a birthday, and did not make an offering, will you do so, not later than Whitsunday, June 8?

If your birthday occurs after Whitsunday, please use the special envelope on the Sunday nearest your birthday.

The money will be used for the erection of a School in Liberia, in connection with similar offerings from the whole Church, to be presented at the General Convention in New Orleans in 1925.



Church School Records.

Hereafter, it is intended to discontinue mention of "class attendance," "perfect or star classes." It is quite unfair to deprive six regular pupils of credit, for instance, because a seventh is not punctual, or is irregular. The individual pupil will be given credit, however.



Lenten Offering.

The annual service for the presentation of the Lenten Missionary Offering was held in Holy Trinity Church on the afternoon of May 18.

In the procession around Rittenhouse Square, nine representatives of our Church School were present.

The offering presented by the schools of the Diocese at that service was over \$62,000, of which St. Philip's gave \$600.

Our amount is somewhat smaller than the total of last year, but actually our per capita offering this year is larger than it was last year.

So there is every reason for encouragement. Removals have decreased our enrollment, but not our interest and enthusiasm.

Thanks!

NOT A VACANT VACATION

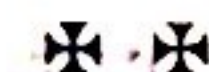
Make this summer contribute something to your knowledge of God, the Church, and mankind. Read good books. The following series of booklets contain thoughtful articles on important subjects. They are both interesting and instructive. Furthermore, they are inexpensive, costing only 40 cents each. They may be ordered from the Rector.

- A. God and Mankind.
- B. Revelation of God.
- C. Christ and His Church.
- D. Four Wonders of Redemption.
- E. The Basis of Anglican Authority.
- F. The Holy Scriptures.
- G. The Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.
- H. Six Other Sacraments.
- J. Apostolic Priesthood.
- K. Sin and Atonement.
- L. Christian Character.
- M. The Life of Prayer.
- N. The World Beyond the Grave.

If read in this order, a well-arranged course in simple theology would be undertaken.

The booklets are paper-bound, pocket-size, and contain about sixty pages. The print is larger than that used in this paper.

They are quite suitable to pack in your bag and read on the car or train.



Congregational Dinner.

Under the auspices of the Women's Guild and the Vestry, a dinner was given in the parish house on the evening of May 28.

In the enforced absence of Mr. Pryor, Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements, Mr. Ralph A. Hershey acted as Chairman of the meeting, stating that "this was a dinner given by St. Philip's to St. Philip's," and bidding everyone a cordial welcome.

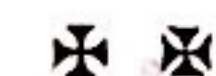
The Rector spoke of the functions of a parish in the work of the Church, and congratulated the Parish on its splendid achievements of the past seven years, bidding it to have confidence that further,

advance could be made in the future, because of the success of the past.

Several delightful selections were sung by members of the Choir, accompanied by Mr. Maynard, after which there was dancing.

The evening was a great success as a close to a good winter's work.

About 125 persons were present, including several new attendants at St. Philip's.



Divinity School Commencement.

We have had the privilege again of having the Annual Commencement of the Divinity School held in St. Philip's. The event took place on Wednesday, May 28, the preacher being the Rt. Rev. Edward M. Cross, recently consecrated Bishop of Spokane. Bishop Cross received at the Commencement service the degree of Doctor in Divinity.

Following the service in Church, an informal reception was held on the grounds of the Divinity School.

Additional emphasis was given to the Commencement this year in view of the recent very successful campaign to raise funds to erect additional buildings.

One million and eighteen thousand dollars were raised in the week's campaign, making possible the immediate undertaking of the proposed work.

The Rector desires to thank, most cordially, the congregation for the splendid response to his appeal for pledges—\$835 being received—while other sums were pledged by members of the congregation upon individual solicitation of the workers in the campaign, so that in all probability members of St. Philip's have contributed to the Divinity School about \$5000.

Church School

The Commencement exercises of the Church School took place on June 1 at the morning service.

The School will be closed during the summer and will reopen on Sunday, September 14, at 9.45 A. M.

THE CREED OF SAINT ATHANASIUS Quincunque Vult.

Whosoever will be saved; before all things it is necessary that he hold the Catholic Faith.

Which Faith except every one do keep whole and undefiled; without doubt he shall perish everlastingly.

And the Catholic Faith is this: That we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity;

Neither confounding the Persons nor dividing the Substance.

For there is one Person of the Father, another of the Son; and another of the Holy Ghost.

But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, is all one; the Glory equal, the Majesty co-eternal.

Such as the Father is, such is the Son; and such is the Holy Ghost.

The Father uncreate, the Son uncreate; and the Holy Ghost uncreate.

The Father incomprehensible, the Son incomprehensible; and the Holy Ghost incomprehensible.

The Father eternal, the Son eternal; and the Holy Ghost eternal.

And yet they are not three eternals; but one eternal.

As also there are not three incomprehensibles, nor three uncreated; but one uncreated, and one incomprehensible.

So likewise the Father is Almighty, the Son Almighty; and the Holy Ghost Almighty.

And yet they are not three Almighties; but one Almighty.

So the Father is God, the Son is God; and the Holy Ghost is God.

And yet they are not three Gods; but one God.

So likewise the Father is Lord, the Son Lord; and the Holy Ghost Lord.

And yet not three Lords; but one Lord.

For like as we are compelled by the Christian verity to acknowledge every Person by himself to be God and Lord;

So are we forbidden by the Catholic Religion to say, There be three Gods, or three Lords.

The Father is made of none; neither created nor begotten.

The Son is of the Father alone; not made, nor created, but begotten.

The Holy Ghost is of the Father and of the Son; neither made, nor created, nor begotten but proceeding.

So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Ghost, not three Holy Ghosts.

And in this Trinity none is afore, or after other; none is greater, or less than another;

But the whole three Persons are co-eternal together; and co-equal.

So that in all things, as is aforesaid; the Unity in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity is to be worshipped.

He therefore that will be saved must thus think of the Trinity.

Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting salvation that he also believe rightly the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For the right Faith is, that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God and Man;

God, of the Substance of the Father, begotten before the worlds; and Man of the Substance of his Mother, born in the world;

Perfect God, and perfect Man; of a reasonable soul and human flesh subsisting;

Equal to the Father, as touching his Godhead; and inferior to the Father, as touching his Manhood.

Who although he be God and Man; yet he is not two, but one Christ;

One not by conversion of the Godhead into flesh; but by taking of the Manhood into God;

One altogether; not by confusion of Substance; but by unity of Person.

For as the reasonable soul and flesh is one man; so God and Man is one Christ;

Who suffered for our salvation; descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead.

He ascended into heaven, he sitteth on the right hand of the Father, God Almighty; from whence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

At whose coming all men shall rise again with their bodies; and shall give account for their own works.

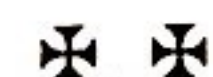
And they that have done good shall go into life everlasting; and they that have done evil into everlasting fire.

This is the Catholic Faith; which except a man believe faithfully, he cannot be saved.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son; and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

(Note—Without Faith we cannot see God—apart from God we “perish everlastingly” for in God alone is life. Persistent conscious and deliberate “evil” wilfully chosen separates us from God, causing us to experience “everlasting fire” or unrepentant remorse.—F. E. S.)



A CALL TO CHRISTIAN WOMEN (AND MEN)

As a nation we have been remembering those brave men who went out from our homes and our churches to die for America. Some sleep here under the “violets of their native land.” Others rest beneath the poppies of France and Belgium. God grant that war may never again claim so great a sacrifice.

And now again our country is in peril. Her laws are defied, her constitution is attacked, youth is subjected to temptation, a wicked propaganda is abroad, public opinion is perverted, those ideals on which this nation was founded are being shattered by enemies within. Christian women in their organized groups, perceiving the menace to home and church are uniting with other groups, patriotic and educational, to secure prompt action. While the danger is greatest in our Eastern and Middle States, owing to the great foreign population and the lawless wealthy group, there is a small but dangerous minority working throughout the country to control the coming conventions and elections.

The will of the great majority of the American people has been expressed in the Eighteenth amendment to the Constitu-

tion and the laws based thereon. To protect our democratic Government by voting at the Primaries, by placing this moral issue before the Conventions and by using the ballot, the Christian women can undo the effort of these who seek to undermine present laws. Because many Church women are not using this power the Woman's National Committee for Law Enforcement earnestly appeals to them to face immediately the present moral crisis. Let us as a nation unite in prayer at this moment, that God will lead us, to be loyal to Him and to our country, that “those who have died may not have died in vain.” Let us remember, too, those who have suffered much from an ancient evil which we had hoped was vanquished, and let us see that this shall not again become the curse of this nation. Because we stand for the world message of righteousness we must be a law respecting people that other nations may respect us. The battle will not be won by prayer alone but by prayer resulting in action. Some of us did not want suffrage, but the ballot is in our hands today and we shall fail in loyalty and patriotism if we do not use it in community, State and nation. If the powers of evil prevail, our day of Thanksgiving in November will be made a day of defeat and humiliation. Let us cleanse our own hearts and be loyal to all law. Let us use our influence to win others who are in danger of yielding to evil counsels. Let us change public opinion by giving the facts. Let us realize that on us depends the safety of the youth of this land.

Now, in this solemn moment, facing the inevitable choice between good and evil, when our great parties go up to their Day of Decision, we call the women of the nation to their duty. Church women outnumber other groups. If they fail our cause will fail. If they are faithful it will win. A great responsibility rests upon us.

*He hath sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat
He is sifting out the souls of men before His judgment seat;
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer Him, be jubilant, my feet;
Our God is marching on.*

The Christian women of America will not fail to march with Him.

The Summer Season.

The summer is a time of opportunity. First, for ourselves: We may, if we will, draw nearer to God Who fills all out-of-doors. Second, for our Church: The need of our help and service is never so great as when so many are neglectful, or away. Third, for others: The world of men and women is just as needful of God in the summer as in the other seasons.

Opportunity! Let us fill our hearts with God's love as we exclaim: "O ye mountains and hills, bless ye the Lord; praise Him and magnify Him for ever."

Opportunity! To do others' tasks, if the need arises: "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

Opportunity! In the continuing harvest: "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh the harvest? Behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." (St. Andrew's Cross.)

Let us thank God for

The summer, with its many opportunities for Christian service.

The Summer Schools and Conferences, Boys' Camps and other seasonable channels for the Church's work.

Those who, without haste and without rest, labor for His Kingdom in season and out of season.

For all the gifts of God in Nature to inspire and to gladden us in our Christian work.

Let us ask God

To open our eyes and quicken our senses, that we may realize the beauties of His out-of-door world.

To make us truly grateful for these, His gifts.

To bless and direct us in our use of all special opportunities for Christian service this summer.

That we may use them in our consecration of self to His will.

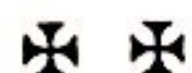
That we may more and more look for Him and find Him in the quiet places.

That our contact with Him this summer may quicken our faith and in-

crease our zeal as laborers in His vineyard.

That it may please Thee to give and preserve to our use, the kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time we may enjoy them.

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.



Personal Prayers for Busy People.

Upon awaking, or while dressing, say—"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. Amen."

Before meals say, silently if necessary—"Bless, O Lord, this food to our use, and us to Thy loving service, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

When leaving for business, or school say Psalms 121:7, 8—"The Lord shall preserve me from all evil, yea, it is even He that shall keep my soul. The Lord preserve my going out and my coming in, this day and evermore. Amen"

Occasionally through the day say Psalm 143:10—"Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth Thee; for Thou art my God; let Thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness. Amen."

At night say Psalm 51—"Have mercy upon me O God, after Thy great goodness, for I acknowledge my faults, and my sins are ever before Thee. Turn Thy face from my sins, and put out all my misdeeds. Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Amen."

Intercede for others—"Accept, O Lord, my intercessions for all mankind, according to their several necessities. Be gracious unto Thy Church and this parish, and bless all in authority over us. Send Thy blessing, spiritual and temporal, upon all my relations, friends and neighbors, and take us and all belonging to us under Thy fatherly care and protection, for Jesus' sake. Amen."

Upon retiring say Psalm 4:9—"I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest; for it is Thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety. Amen."

Sin, deliberate sin, is conscious refusal to accept the struggle for existence which Life must make.—Rev. G. A. Studdert Kennedy.

THE RIGHT USE OF THE TERM "CATHOLIC"

The following has been drawn up by the Irish Bishops, and is being circulated in Ireland:

"The Archbishops and Bishops call the attention of members of the Church to the increasing misuse of the term 'Catholic' to describe, without any qualifying designation, that body of Christians only who acknowledge the supremacy of the Bishop of Rome. Members of the Roman Catholic Church are now commonly designated as 'Catholics,' while members of our Church, and others who hold all the doctrines of the Holy Catholic Church as defined in the ancient creeds, are frequently described as 'non-Catholics.'

"This is not a mere question of 'names and words.' The Catholic character of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and of the Society which He founded, is one great feature which distinguishes Christianity from all other religious systems. Christ's Church is universal, or catholic, in the fullest sense of the term, its mission is to all; its membership includes persons of 'all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues.'

"If we now surrender our title of membership in the Catholic Church, and concede it to those only who accept the authority of a particular Bishop, we give up an important point in that faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. So important was this point held to be in early Christian times that belief in 'the Holy Catholic Church' was made an article of faith by those who compiled our creeds. To be a 'non-Catholic' is to be outside the Body of Christ; and to be described as 'not a Catholic' is equivalent to being described as 'not a Christian.'

"It is probable that in many cases these terms are used thoughtlessly, without considering their significance and importance; but we cannot consent thus to narrow the Church of Christ, or to accept the position of aliens from the commonwealth of the Israel of God."

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The Crew are All Christian People. The Captain is Jesus Christ. His sailing orders are: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen."—The Ascension Herald.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, self-control.

Galatians 5:22, 23. (A. S. V.)

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The American Church Building Fund Commission last year helped to erect 82 church buildings,—one in every four days. Its annual report is extremely interesting. The treasurer is Mr. Charles A. Tompkins, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York.

The Hebrew-Christian Publication Society publishes a periodical, "The People, the Land and the Book," sent free to contributors. Mr. B. A. M. Schapiro has recently issued a pamphlet entitled, "The Messiah according to the Old and New Testaments." "The Shepherd Prince" is a powerful novel of Isaiah's time (price \$2), translated by Mr. Schapiro.

Literature is a powerful element in taking the Gospel to the Hebrews.

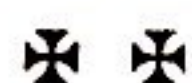
The treasurer is Rev. Kenneth Mackenzie, 83 Bible House, New York.

Remember the starving German children.

The National Child Labor Committee is urging the passage of the Shortbridge-Foster Joint Resolution for a Constitutional Amendment, empowering Congress to regulate child labor. It needs additional funds and new friends.

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**A Social Worker.**

I think they never seek her desk in vain
Who daily come for counsel, help, relief.
Insight is here, resource, and here belief
In science—like clear sunlight: here a
brain,

Ironie, visioned, eager; here life's pain
Shadows a face acquainted much with
grief,

But underneath the manner tense or brief,
Pity and quiet tenderness remain.

Reference books are scattered far and
wide;

Medical journals piled up everywhere.

Forel and Santayana almost hide

Osler, with Janet, Healy, Roscoe Thayer—

Yet friends have noticed, lying to one
side,

Well rubbed and bent, the Book of Com-
mon Prayer.

—Gordon Hamilton
(In "The Family" December, 1922.)

Children's Corner.

I wonder if you realize how many capital stories can be found in the Bible, Here are 20 which will give you pleasure, I am sure. Read them through the summer:

A Wild Adventure, I Sam. 14: 1-46; I Sam. 19: 1-18; I Sam. 20: 1-42.

A Luxurious King, I Kings 10: 1-29.

A Wonderful Meal, I Kings 17: 8-16.

A Girls' Suggestion, II Kings 5: 1-19.

A Fearless Man, II Kings 6: 8-23.

A Good Book Found, II Kings 22: 1-20.

A Wonderful Vision, Isa. 35.

A Narrow Escape, Jer. 38.

The Story of Two Sons, St. Luke 15: 11-32.

A Midnight Voyage, St. Matt. 14: 22-33.

A Wonderful Supper, St. Mark 6: 30-44.

A Good Catch of Fish, St. Luke 5: 1-11.

A Few Stories, St. Matt. 13.

A Neighbor's Kindness, St. Luke 10: 25-37.

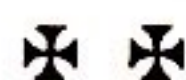
A Fishing Trip, St. John 21: 1-14.

A Riot, Acts 19: 23-41.

A Boy's Wit, Acts 23: 12-35.

A Stormy Voyage Acts 27-28: 16.

Many of these are not familiar to you, I expect,—that is why I suggest them. You know about David and Goliath, and Joseph, and Daniel, of course. These other stories I mention are interesting, too. Read them and try to picture to yourself the scene described, and use your imagination. Then the stories will be quite real to you.

**West Philadelphia Branch S. S. Asso.**

The Spring meeting of the Association was held on May 24, at St. Paul's Church, Oaks, a delightful rural parish with a rectory on a 300-acre estate.

The business meeting was held in the Church, and an address was made by the Rev. Dr. Phillips, Rector of the Church of the Saviour. Supper was served in the Rectory owing to the inclement weather, which disarranged plans for a "lawn party."

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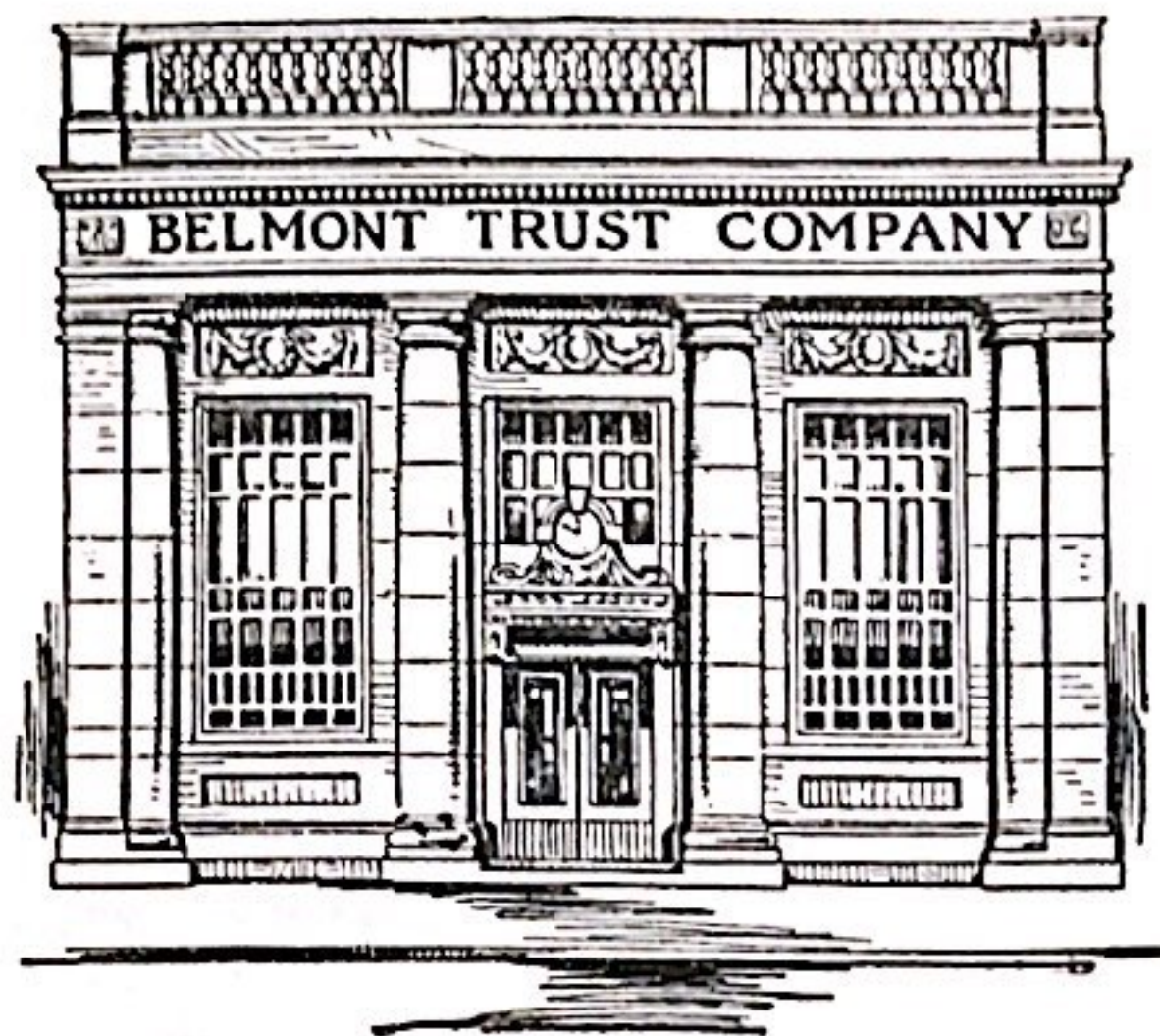
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The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for Baptisms, Marriages or Burials.

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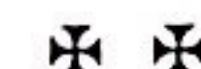
CALENDAR

September.

- 7. 12th Sunday after Trinity.
- 14. 13th Sunday after Trinity.
- 21. St. Matthew's Day (14th Sunday after Trinity).
- 28. 15th Sunday after Trinity.
- 29. St. Michael and All Angels.

October.

- 5. 16th Sunday after Trinity.



PARISH REGISTER

Marriage.

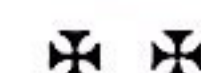
May 27—Kendall Cropper Marshall and
Florence Louise Gledhill.

Burials.

June 6—Ida J. S. Chrisman.
June 10—Walter A. Hartman.

Communicants Transferred.

June 29—Eugene Tracy Tobin.
Minnie D. Tobin.
Violet E. Tobin.
Harriet J. Tobin, to Chapel of
the Mediator.



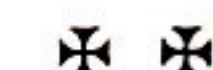
The Holy Communion.

A distinguished writer, speaking as a psychologist about the Holy Communion, says: "The psychological instinct has worked with a sure touch in producing these forms," and proceeds to give an appreciative analysis of the great Christian service in terms of that science. At the end of the essay are these words: "The Christian too often thinks of Jesus Christ as in the past. He is not there. He has risen and gone before us into the future. Again and again in Christian ages the reformer has found Him in the farthest vista of his own advancing path; and we, entering an era of psychological discovery, find Him in front, awaiting us at the gate of a new day.

In this service our Lord is present. We do not think of Him as One of Whom we have read: we acknowledge and adore Him as here with us.

It is eminently fitting that every member of the parish, when returning from the summer's vacation, and resuming the work of the Church, should come to the

Holy Communion first, to meet the Master, to feel His Presence, to be filled with His power to go forward in His way along the Way of Life seizing the opportunities, new and even greater, which confront us, to serve Him and our fellows.



Altar Flowers.

During September, flowers are furnished for the Altar as follows:

First Sunday, Mrs. A. Vandevoorde.

Second Sunday, Rev. F. E. Seymour.

Third Sunday,

Fourth Sunday, Mrs. G. W. Caldwell.

Application for vacant dates, and also for memorials for the Chapel Altar may be made to members of the Altar Guild.



Christ in a Hospital.

I saw Him gently pass my open door,
Each tread a holy silence, as if noise
Would give more pain to some poor, suffering soul:

A Man of peace, of power and perfect poise,

He seemed the friend and helper of the poor,

Companion of the lonely and the weak,
Whom men in sorrow and in sickness seek

Because His touch makes souls and bodies whole—

A Man bent on some gracious ministry,
Vibrant with tenderest human sympathy.

It was He! I know! I did not dream
Of nurse or doctor, clad in spotless white,
Or phantom-form haunting this house of pain;

'Twas He whose presence always makes the night

Luminous, and gives to life its meaning.
These walls that shut me in seemed broken down—

I saw Him—saw Him! Oh! that crown
Of piercing thorns—those cruel thorns again!

Yet all-forgetful of the blood and tears
And agony of all those countless years.
EDWARD A. G. HERMANN in Christian Century.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

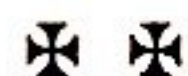
"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

SEPTEMBER

Resumption of Activity.

1. God's fellow-workmen.—1 Cor. 3:4-15.
2. Industry.—Ecclus. 38:27-32.
3. Work.—St. Matt. 25:14-29.
4. Wages.—St. Matt. 20:1-8.
5. Social Work.—Isa. 61:1-3.
6. World Service.—St. Jno. 12:26-32.

Prayer: O Almighty God and heavenly Father, Who by the divine providence, hast appointed for each one of us our work in life, and hast commanded that we should not be slothful in business, but fervent in spirit, serving Thee; Help us always to remember that our work is Thy appointment, and to do it heartily as unto Thee. Preserve us from slothfulness, and make us so to live that we may always be found striving earnestly to finish the work Thou hast given us to do; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.



Christ's Healings.

7. Imperfect hearing and speech.—St. Mk. 7:32-37.
8. Sight.—St. Lu. 18:35-43.
9. Speech.—St. Matt. 12:22-28.
10. Disease.—St. Mk. 1:40-45.
11. Paralysis.—St. Matt. 9:1-8.
12. Infantile Paralysis (?).—St. Jn. 4:46-54.
13. Possession.—St. Lu. 8:26-39.
(See "Wonders of the Kingdom," by G. R. H. Shafto.)

Prayer: Our Heavenly Father, Who through Thy Son Jesus Christ, hast declared that those who minister to the least of their needy brethren, minister unto Him and unto Thee; Grant that each of us may be so quick to see human suffering and so eager to relieve it, that we may become worthy members of Thy Kingdom of love and service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The School of Jesus.

14. Education.—Ecclus. 6:32-37.
15. Home Life.—Col. 3:12-20.
16. Children.—St. Mk. 10:13-16.
17. Training of Children.—Deut. 6:1-9.
18. Loyalty to Home.—St. Jn. 19:25-27.
19. Increase in Knowledge.—II St. Pet. 1:1-11.

20. Increase in Wisdom.—Wis. 6:12-21.
Prayer. O God the Holy Spirit, enlighten our minds more and more with the knowledge of God; graft in our hearts a love of the truth, increase in us true religion, and inspire us to active and loyal service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Call of Christ.

21. St. Matthew.—St. Lu. 5:27-32.
22. Self-sacrifice.—St. Matt. 20:23-28.
23. Consecration.—St. Jn. 17:15-21.
24. Companionship.—St. Jn. 6:66-69.
25. Loyalty to Christ.—Phil. 1:15-21.
26. Profession and practice.—St. Jas. 2:14-20.
27. Witnessing.—1 St. Jn. 1:1-4.

Prayer. Grant, O merciful God, that as Thine holy Apostles were obedient unto the calling of Thy Son, Jesus Christ and followed Him; so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow Thy holy commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Michaelmas.

28. Angelic Protection.—Psa. 91.
29. Guardian Angels.—St. Matt. 18:1-10.
30. Angelic Ministry.—Heb. 1.

Prayer. O Everlasting God, Who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order; Mercifully grant that, as Thy holy Angels always do Thee service in heaven, so, by Thy appointment they may succor and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

Greetings as we meet together again after temporary absence from one another.

This issue of St. Philip's Record is devoted largely to the important subject of Religious Education. To the statements and articles contained herein your careful attention is asked.

Our Blessed Lord's usual title was "Teacher." His method of work was educational; "He taught the people." "Learn of Me," He said, and "Go, teach all nations."

We should give heed therefore to the educational program of His Church to which He committed the evangelization of the world.

Instruction earnestly given and received enables us to build up a greater faith, and greater faith prompts us to greater service.

At the commencement of another year's work, let us "think on these things."

Faithfully your friend and rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

A PERSONAL WORD

Just how it all happened, Mrs. Seymour and I do not know. Therein lies much of the charm and pleasure.

Who in the Parish first thought that we were to observe our Silver Wedding anniversary this year is still a mystery to us. But someone certainly started something, and skilful detective work on the part of that person or those persons secured the actual date.

Consequently, in good time for August 15, a package was received by mail, which was opened, with eagerness as are all unexpected packages, and a handsome silver sandwich tray, suitably engraved, was revealed, and an appropriate card was found, bearing congratulations from the Women's Guild.

The mail for several days contained cards, letters and telegrams from many members of the Parish.

We both feel happy in the remembrance of our friends, and thank them one and all—particularly we desire to express our appreciation to the Women's Guild for their gracious gift.

F. E. S.

Japanese Reconstruction Fund.

The campaign in Pennsylvania, postponed from the Spring, will take place from October 10 to October 20.

St. Philip's has always been liberal, and the Rector believes it will do its share both individually and corporately, even though there are many other appeals, all urgent like the Organ Repair appeal mentioned in this issue.

Church Services.

The services during September will be: Sundays, 7.30 A. M.—Holy Communion.

11 A. M.—Morning Worship.

9.45 A. M.—(Commencing September 14) Church School.

St. Matthew's Day, Sunday Sept. 21, a Children's Eucharist will be celebrated at 9.45 A. M.

St. Michael's Day, Monday, Sept. 29, Holy Communion, 3.30 A. M.

As Others See Us.

This modest little paper has acquired considerable fame, much to our surprise.

"The Homiletic Review," which is "an international magazine of religion, theology and philosophy, in which every phase of the Minister's work is discussed," contained in the June issue an article on "The Parish Paper" written by the Rev. C. H. Barnett of the Federal Council of Churches, New York.

Mr. Barnett has evidently made a careful study of numerous parish papers published weekly and monthly, throughout the country by various Church bodies.

Eight papers are mentioned definitely, and others are grouped into various types of publications.

We are proud to notice that "St. Philip's Record"—the only Episcopal paper mentioned—received the following paragraph:

"St. Philip's Record, from St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, is a good example of a carefully edited paper. It has twelve pages and is of pamphlet size, printed on antique book paper. The arrangement of material presents attractive and legible pages, and is an admirable example of the use of type and paragraphs. As is to be expected, this paper gives to the announcements of regular services a great deal of space and therefore carries more stated material than papers from the non-liturgical Churches."

Our attention was first called to the article by requests for sample copies of our paper—which came from widely scattered points.

The article, in the conclusion, states "the permanence and value of a parish paper depends largely upon its editor." The editor of St. Philip's Record, however, feels that the Business Manager, Mr. Chas. C. Kinney, who has the arduous task of securing advertisements, and supervising the finances; the occasional contributors to our columns from the parishioners, and the printer (Ludwig Printing House) also deserve a share in whatever merit "The Record" has attained.

AN OBLIGATION

The usual services at 7.30 and 11.00 o'clock were held on Sunday mornings during the summer with an average attendance of 10 persons at the early service and 70 at that held later, the officiating clergyman during July being the Rev. Lewis R. Levering, chaplain of Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn., and during August the Rev. C. Estornelle, rector of St. John's Church, Camden, N. J., both of whom were very cordially welcomed.

And now that the summer has passed and most of us have had our vacations and have returned to our homes prepared to "settle down" for the activities of the coming fall and winter, let us resolve to increase our interest in the welfare of St. Philip's for there is much to be done.

As stated in the June issue of *The Record* an early renovation of the church organ was imperative, and after consulting with a number of expert organ builders the Music Committee was impressed with the fact that a reconstruction of the console and a general overhauling and tuning of the instrument was the proper and only thing to be done. So estimates were invited and when received were found to range from \$1450 to \$4500. After thorough investigation a contract was awarded the United States Organ Company, Crum Lynne, Pa., at the former figure, with the understanding that the work is to be completed by the end of September, part payment to be made upon signing of the contract, an additional sum upon completion of the work and the balance in monthly instalments with interest.

The meeting of this obligation is one of the conditions that confront us now, and there are others that must be met sooner or later if St. Philip's is to continue to "carry on" at its present location.

C. C. KINNEY.

The Parish and Education.

We are apt to think only of the Church School when we speak of Religious Education, but it is a bigger subject than that—large though such a phase of it is.

Education is a factor of life, and life is continuous, in expanding degree from "the cradle to the grave." Therefore education is a continuous process, in which every age and every part of Parish life must be involved.

1. The atmosphere of the HOME is fundamental. "As the twig is bent, the tree is inclined." A right start is absolutely necessary.

Family devotions, in which parents as well as children have a part; Grace at meals; Attendance at Church as a family act; the Reading of good books, to and by children, including portions of the Bible; these are some of the elements which enter into real education.

A list of books for children is given on page 11.

Bible Readings and Prayers are found on the Sanctuary page.

Adults, as well as children, must be educated continuously. Lectures and classes of various kinds throughout the year, afford many opportunities, and Home Reading is always available. Try such books as

The Church's Life, by W. C. Sturgis.

The Grammar of Belief, by C. L. Dible.

Our Bible, (Morehouse).

Health and Religion, by C. O'Flaherty.

Spiritual Healing, by H. Anson.

2. The SCHOOL life covers the period of intensive study of fundamentals. The following pages contain many suggestions.

3. The PARISH ORGANIZATIONS must learn more of the larger opportunities for service which the larger tasks of the day demand, and of the improved methods of work which are being adopted throughout the Church.

4. Probably the new revolution of method has been nowhere more marked than in the business world. The VESTRY as the business agents of the Parish must be familiar with the revised organization of the Church's life and work, which requires adjustment of Parish life to conform with Diocesan and National obligations.

5. The RECTOR must keep abreast of modern thought in every department of life—business, politics, science, literature, philosophy and theology—in order that he may be a real leader of his people, and not a mere reader of the services or a preacher of platitudes.

Education is a definite task—a life work—a profession, the diligent pursuit of which affects our whole life. It is not a by-product or an optional or occasional occupation. It never ends.

Education, to be complete, must include RELIGION.



A Message.

At the annual Conference of Leaders in Religious Education, held in Brookline, Mass., in May of this year, the following statement was adopted and recommended for transmission to parochial authorities.

"Recognizing the impracticability of suggesting to parishes the details of a parochial budget, we nevertheless feel that much of value would be accomplished if we can secure, through the action of vestries, a corporate responsibility of each parish to include as far as possible within its budget, provision for the following needs in the field of Religious Education:

"1. Adequate maintenance of the parochial Church School.

"2. The employment on full or part time of one or more trained workers.

"3. The securing of suitable candidates for the Ministry and providing as adequately as possible from the funds of the Parish, for the expenses of their education."

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Calendar 1924-25.

September.

- 14.—Opening Session, 9.45 a. m.
21.—St. Matthew's Day, Children's Eucharist, 9.45 a. m.
23.—Faculty Conference, 6 p. m.

October.

- 20.—Annual Church School Institute (St. James' Parish House).
28.—Faculty Conference, 6 p. m.
31. Hallowe'en Party for Senior School.

November.

- 1.—Hallowe'en Party for Lower School.
25.—Faculty Conference, 6 p. m.
27.—Thanksgiving Day—Church Service. (Offering of Provisions for the Door of Blessing, of Money for the Episcopal Hospital.)
30 to January 6—Offering for Diocesan Missions.

December.

- 23.—Faculty Conference, 6 p. m.
25.—Christmas Day—Church Service.
27.—Christmas Party for Entire School.
28.—The Innocents' Day—Carol Service.

January, 1925.

- 10.—Diocesan Presentation of Bishop's Bricks Fund (St. James' Church).
25.—St. Paul's Day—Missionary Service, 9.45 a. m.
27.—Faculty Conference, 6 p. m.



February.

- 13.—Valentine Party for Entire School.
15.—Sexagesima Sunday—Distribution of Missionary Boxes, 10.30 a. m.
24.—Faculty Conference, 6 p. m.
25.—Ash Wednesday, Children's Service, 4.30 p. m.
25 to April 11—Offering for Missions.
27.—Children's Lenten Service, 4.30 p. m.

March.

- 6, 13, 20, 27.—Children's Lenten Service, 4.30 p. m.
24.—Faculty Conference, 6 p. m.

April.

- 3.—Children's Lenten Service, 4.30 p. m.
5.—Palm Sunday, Blessing of Palms, 10.30 a. m.
10.—Good Friday, Three-Hour Service, 12-3 p. m.
12.—Easter Day, Carol Service and Presentation of Lenten Offering, 4 p. m. (No morning session of School.)
28.—Faculty Conference, 6 p. m.

May.

- 1.—St. Philip's Day—Offering for Christ School, Arden, N. C.
3.—Corporate Communion of Church School, 7.30 a. m. and May Breakfast.
10.—Examinations.
Diocesan Presentation of Missionary Offering (Holy Trinity Church, 4 p. m.).
21.—Ascension Day—Offering for College Settlement Picnic Fund.
26.—Faculty Conference, 6 p. m.
31.—Whitsunday Festival, 9.45 a. m. Presentation of Birthday Thank Offering for School work in Liberia.

June.

- 6.—Picnic for Sunday School.
7.—Trinity Sunday.
14.—First Sunday after Trinity. Church School Commencement, 11 a. m.

August.

- 6.—Feast of Transfiguration—Parish Remembrance Day.

September.

- 13.—Church School re-opens, 9.45 a. m.



GOOD HABITS

"Arise be tyme out of thy bedde
And blesse thy breast and thy forhede,
Then wasche thy handes and thy face,
Comb thy hede and aske God grace,
Thee to helpe in all thy werkes;
Thou shalt speed better if so thou confess,
Then go to the Churche and hear a Masse."

This good advice appears in "The Young Children's Book," a devotional manual written for children about the year 1500.

It is quite suitable for children in the year 1924 also—four hundred years later!

To Parents.

The education of children is one of the most pressing problems of parents. Many other things in domestic life are placed in a secondary position in order that children may have school advantages. We demand the best obtainable—best teachers, best lessons and methods, best equipment, best buildings. Parents are constantly on the alert to note the progress of their children through school, and they should be.

The recent tragedy in Chicago should give to all parents food for thought. Education by itself does not produce moral and safe citizens though it may produce students—of a sort. Even religious education, if it is mere book learning, does not guarantee moral conduct.

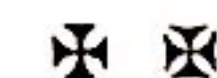
Mere knowledge of Biblical stories and facts is less important than the inculcation of religious knowledge applied to every-day life.

Education in vital and vitalizing religion is absolutely essential to the well-being of children, and so of their parents, of society and of the nation.

Will you not see that your children are given every opportunity to receive such religious education?

Will you not co-operate, in every way possible, with St. Philip's Church School, by ensuring regular and punctual attendance of your children at the School sessions, by insisting on diligent study and good conduct, and by assisting your children in home-assignments?

St. Philip's Church School aims to give instruction in the Christian religion in such a way that the soul is nurtured and developed.



Standards for Promotion.

Promotion certificates are given when a grade of 70% or over is made in the year's work, with the following ranks:

C	indicates	Passing	—70- 75%
B	"	Credit	—75- 85%
B+	"	Merit	—85- 90%
A	"	Honor	—90- 95%
A+	"	Excellent	—95-100%

Grades and Lessons.

The School is graded as nearly as possible according to the day school grading. The following subjects are taught in the various grades:

Primary Department

Kindergarten.—*Our Father's Gifts* (revealing the love of God through simple stories and experiences, leading the pupil to respond in acts of obedience, kindness and helpfulness).

First Grade.—*Trust in God* (incorporating portions of the Creed).

Second Grade.—*Obedience to God* (giving the spirit of the Commandments, and illustrating the "Duties" in the Catechism).

Third Grade.—*God with Man* (simple stories of worship, pilgrimages to the Church building, developing the idea of God's relationship to man).

Fourth Grade.—*God's Great Family* (Catechism truth in action displayed by stories of child life in the mission field, concluding with the natural appeal that the message of God's love must be sent to all of God's children).

Grammar Department.

Fifth Grade.—*The Christian Seasons* (helping the pupil to understand what he sees in Church).

Sixth Grade.—*Church Worship and Membership* (teaching the meaning of membership and simple elements of worship—leading to Confirmation).

Junior High Department

Seventh Grade.—*The Life of Our Lord*.
Eighth Grade.—*The Long Life of the Church*.

Ninth Grade.—*Our Church and Her Mission*. (This period is the heart of the lesson series. The pupil is led to appreciate the Life of the Master, the preservation of that Life through the course of history, and the joy and duty of sharing that life with others.)

Senior High Department.

The selection of lessons in the Senior High Department is optional with the teachers, subject to the approval of the Rector.

Young People.

I firmly believe in Young People, and I sympathize very little with much of the criticism which is levelled against them.

It is fitting that our young people should meet together for social fellowship, for purposeful activity and for the normal expression of religious feeling.

This order is arranged according to natural sequence rather than from relative importance. It is quite natural for young people to be deeply religious (though they are frequently diffident in manifesting it, and often resent the expectations of older people). It is quite natural for them to be active, and they are best satisfied when their activity is creative rather than merely entertaining. It is quite natural for boys and girls to have social pleasures together, and to enjoy one another's company. It is proper to laugh and sing, to dance and play.

Unwise conduct at times takes place in gatherings of young people (who, however, are probably only reflecting the conduct of older people, which they see personally, or on the movie screen, or read in lurid novels).

Some girls mistaken think that lower standards of conduct, greater intimacy, more flippant familiarity, and imitation are desired by and demanded by boys and young men. Unfortunately some girls are inclined to yield.

Intimate embraces, kissing, arms around neck and waist, sitting on a young man's lap, "petting"—such things are not excusable in general society, except where serious engagement or marriage exists (and then, good taste would reserve such display for more opportune occasions).

We are usually anxious to get the apple which grows highest on the tree, not the lowest one, or the worm-eaten one on the ground.

We do not want to buy shop-worn articles ordinarily. True men do not want shop-worn girls, nor do true girls want second-hand men!

Some men are called "fast," which means that they delight in their animal instincts, yielding to unrestrained appetites in food, drink and various pleasures,

legitimate and illegitimate; and some girls imitate their behaviour.

But evolution teaches us that man has developed from the animal stage. Paradoxically, therefore, the "fast" person is really *slow*, a relic of former animal existence, a woeful "back number."

A woman's charm is her dissimilarity to men, not so much her ability to do what he does more or less wisely—drink, smoke, gamble, etc.

No one questions woman's equality with man in his highest qualities.

No one wants woman to be equal to man in his lowest habits.

The moral standards of a nation are reckoned by the moral standards of its women.

I believe in our young people of St. Philip's. I hope they will be known, wherever they may be, as high-principled, clean-living boys and girls.

I believe the Young People's Society, properly guided, will contribute to that end.

The Parish will be wise in providing frequent social gatherings for our young people.



Church School Service League.

This gives opportunity to work out plans based on the lessons.

In its five-fold aim of Prayer, Study, Work, Gifts and Fellowship it furnishes occasions to develop, by practice, the *devotional life*, with particular reference to the work of period or "Block," to *study* by completing or supplementing the Sunday lessons, and by learning about the needs of the five-fold field: (the Parish, the Diocese, the Community, the Nation and the World), to *work*, by ministering in some way to these five fields; to *give* time, labor and gifts to help some designated object in the fields—always remembering the spirit of *fellowship* with one another as fellow-workers, and with those for whom the work is being done. Games, plays and occasional parties are included in this section of the C. S. S. L. which meets on a weekday.

Block I, from the opening of School until Thanksgiving includes work done for the Nation.

Block II, from Thanksgiving to Epiphany—work for the Community.

Block III, from Epiphany to Quinquagesima—work for the Parish.

Block IV, from Quinquagesima until Easter—work for the World.

Block V, from Easter until close of School—work for the Diocese.

CHILDREN'S READING

The Rector has been asked to suggest books for children.

The following list covers some of the phases of so-called "religious literature" and may be helpful in making a selection for Christmas presents, or to commence a library for the children's room.

Good Books for Children.

About our Lord:

A Book for Children about Our Lord Jesus Christ, (C. Hart, pub. by Longman's). Excellent for quite young children.

Gentle Jesus, (Gertrude Hollis, pub. by S. P. C. K.) Good for about ten-year-olds.

About the Bible:

A Guide to the Bible, (George Hodges, pub. by Doubleday).

The Early Story of Israel, (Mrs. E. L. Thomas, pub. by Macmillan)

Our Wonderful Bible, (Gertrude Hollis, pub. by S. P. C. K.)

The Land Where Jesus Lived, (Gertrude Hollis, pub. by S. P. C. K.)

How and Where They Lived in Bible Times, (E. R. Trist, pub. by S. P. C. K.)

The Garden of Eden, (G. Hodges).

When the King Came, (G. Hodges).

Children of the O. T.

Children of the N. T.

About the Faith:

Our Wonderful Faith, (Bp. Osborne, pub. by S. P. C. K.)

The Faith of a Little Child, (H. A. Wilson, pub. by Jacobs)

The Creed of a Young Churchman, (H. A. Wilson, pub. by Jacobs)

Some Wonderful Things in the Catechism, (Bp. Osborne, pub. by S. P. C. K.)

My Catechism Book (Mowbray & Co., —to read to young children)

The Church Catechism, with Notes, (E. M. pub. by S. P. C. K.)

About the Christian Year:

The Children's Round of Fast and Festival, (C. C. Bell, pub. by Mowbray)

The Children's Church Kalendar Book,

(Gertrude Hollis, pub. by Mowbray)

That Land and This, (Gertrude Hollis, pub. by Mowbray)

About the Saints:

A Glorious Host, (E. B. Trist, pub. by S. P. C. K.)

The Book of Saints and Heroes, (Mrs. Lang, pub. by Longmans)

The Book of Saints and Friendly Beasts, (A. B. Brown, pub. by Houghton Mifflin Co.)

The Child's Book of Saints, (W. Canton, pub. in Everyman's Library)

Seven Champions of Christendom, pub. by E. P. Dutton)

Book of Golden Deeds, (Charlotte Yonge)

About the Church:

A Goodly Heritage, (Georgiana M. Forde, pub. by Skeffington)

The Story of the Kingdom,—Church History for Boys and Girls, (F. G. Burgees, pub. by Griffiths).

How the Church came to England,
What the Church did for England,
How the Church was Reformed in England.

Every Child's Book About the Church. (All by Gertrude Hollis, pub. by Mowbray.)

Tales of the Church in England, (G. E. Burrows, pub. by Mowbray).

Our Wonderful Cathedrals, (Gertrude Hollis, pub. by S. P. C. K.)

About Prayer, etc.:

The House of Prayer (Florence Converse, pub. by Dutton)

A Knight of the Cross, (L. B. Saint, pub. by Jacobs).

The Oldest City in the World—Brown, pub. by Religious Tract Society (Bunyan's Holy War)

About Missions:

Romance of Missionary Heroism, (Lambert, pub. by Lippincott).

Stories About Bible Characters:

The Yoke, (E. Miller)

Prince of the House of David, (Ingram)

Paul the Dauntless.

Saul of Tarsus, (E. Miller)

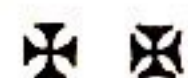
School Awards.

By decision of the Faculty during the past year, small awards were given to the pupils who had attained, by examination and general work for the latter part of the School year, an average of 90% or over.

The following pupils were given awards at the Commencement Service:

- Course 3, Eleanor Wolf
- Course 4, William Corliss,
- Course 6, Margaret Corliss,
Salome Riegner,
- Course 7, Donald Wilson,
Patricia Kneas,
Virginia Eahler,
- Course 8, Peggy Cardeza,
Adelaide Wright,
- Course 9, Fred Hipple,
Jack Roberts,
Jack Seymour,
Jennet Walker,
Josephine Goepp,
Mary Scotney,
- Course 12, Eleanor Corliss.

For the year 1924-1925 it is planned to have fewer awards which will be given after more rigid conditions have been fulfilled, so that, for the respective divisions of the School the Award will be an honor eagerly sought after, not for its value, but for the merit of conscientious work which it will represent.



School Picnic.

Due entirely to the effective work of the Committee on Arrangements and their capable assistants, the School picnic held on June 7 was a complete success.

A larger number than ever before crowded the auto bus, which took us to Valley Forge. Others came in autos.

The long ride gave zest to the appetite, and lunch was the first order of the day.

Some energetic members of the party walked to the observation tower and "climbed the steep ascent." Most of them visited the Washington Memorial Chapel, in the woods near which we had lunch and afterwards held the sports

The following schedule of events aroused great interest, and the results showed that St. Philip's School contains many athletes, both boys and girls.

50-yard dash, boys, winner, George Riegner.

50-yard dash, girls, Winners, Edith Seymour, Edna Rush.

Running Broad Jump, boys. Winners, George Riegner, Donald Thompson, Jack Seymour.

Standing Broad Jump, girls. Winners, Edith Seymour, Frances Davis, Edna Rush.

Newspaper Race, small boys. Winner, Wyatt Rosborough.

Wheelbarrow Race, small boys. Winners, Jerome Baker and Wyatt Rosborough.

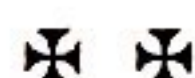
Wheelbarrow Race, big boys. Winners, Jack Seymour and Harry Snyder.

Wheelbarrow Race, girls. Winners, Edith Seymour and Josephine Goepp.

Hopping Race, small girls. Winner, Eleanor Wolf.

Three-legged Race, boys. Winners, George Riegner and David Conner.

Three-legged Race, girls. Winners, Edith Seymour and Josephine Goepp.



Summer Schools.

Teachers recognize the need of help so that their work may be improved. To furnish that help, Summer Schools are held at various place and times during the summer months.

Two of our teachers—Mrs. Riegner and Miss Elisabeth Eyer—attended the Peninsula Summer School at Ocean City, Md., where the Rector was also present as a member of the Faculty.

Combining hard work—for classes were held from nine until one each day,—with some recreational features and delightful sea bathing—the School was extremely helpful to the 150 or more who took part.

Next year more of our teachers ought to go to that or to some other School. They would assuredly enjoy the experience.

What Is It to Be Educated?

A professor in one of our universities told his students that he should consider them educated, in the best sense of the word, when they could answer yes to each of the following questions:

Has your education given you sympathy with all good causes and made you espouse them?

Has it made you public-spirited? Has it made you a brother to the weak?

Have you learned how to make friends and keep them?

Do you know what it is to be a friend yourself?

Can you look an honest man or a pure woman straight in the eye?

Do you see anything to love in a little child?

Will a lonely dog follow you in the street?

Can you be high-minded and happy in the meaner drudgeries of life?

Do you think washing dishes and hoeing corn just as compatible with high-thinking as piano playing or golf?

Are you good for anything to yourself? Can you be happy alone?

Can you look out on the world and see anything except dollars and cents?

Can you look into a mud puddle by the wayside and see anything in the puddle but mud?

Can you look into the sky at night and see beyond the stars? Can your soul claim relationship with the Creator?

The highest knowledge is the service of God, and the service of God means the service of our fellow men. "Hereby we know that we have passed from death unto life: because we love the brethren." But, divorced from Christ, humanitarianism and philanthropy are not the service of God. It cannot be said that our time is deficient in these; its danger lies in forgetting their source, in shifting the centre from God to Man. To be truly human, real lovers of men, is to make the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ the blazing fact of life. Divorced from Him, philanthropy loses its vitality and becomes in the end cold and ineffective, even dangerous. We are safe and our civilization secure only when our life is lived with Christ in God. Seek Him first, make Him central; then shall we be an educated people, wise with the wisdom of God, which is life eternal.

Education from the Cradle Up.

The appeal going out from the Spirit of Missions asking rectors and superintendents to further the cause of the Spirit of Missions by seeing to it that Church School teachers subscribe to their paper should meet with immediate response.

We Church folks are a queer sort. We love the Church. We are willing to give a certain amount of time and money toward its Mission. But we, after all, as a group, are woefully ignorant of what she is trying to do and what she has done. Any teacher, and Church man or woman, will be bound to feel more of a sense of ownership, of family pride, yes, of individual responsibility, if more is known of the Church's task and how she is seeking to meet that task.

We Church folks subscribe to all kinds of magazines pertaining to secular organizations and then fall down on subscribing to our own Church papers. The members of other Communions put us to shame along this line as well as along many others which are perfectly obvious. And yet the very object of all these publications is to make known what the Church is doing, not what the Church is. The latter we learned long ago. And the sad part about it is we are willing to rest upon what she stands for in faith, seemingly indifferent as to what she stands for in practice.—The (North) Carolina Churchman.



Daily Religious Education Rapidly Increasing.

Where three years ago there were less than twelve, today there are more than 125 cities in which the school boards allow the use of school time for religious instruction. The movement is gathering tremendous momentum, but the question of most immediate importance in any community is "How the churches are to cope with it?" It is much easier to work out a plan on paper or to announce the opening of week-day courses in religion than it is to find teachers fit to teach or text-books capable of use in comparison with those employed in the rest of the school system.

Thanks from St. Monica's.

June 30, 1924.

My dear Mr. Seymour:

We consider ourselves very fortunate in having such an admirable "ambassador at court" to plead for us and our needs.

Running west from 49th Street, near Gray's Ferry, is a little stretch of land on the right bank of the railroad. It is called "Lincoln Avenue." It is a miserable, wretched place, with frame houses no better than hovels. But in one of them lives the family of Gross, members of St. Monica's.

There are ten children, besides the father and mother. Breathing space in this house is at a premium, not to mention the cramped surroundings on the outside.

You can imagine, therefore, what a boon it is to such people to leave home for an airing and an outing which they would not get but for just such benefactions that come through St. Philip's.

I am heartily grateful for the gifts, and I do hope that you will assure the generous contributors of my hearty appreciation and sincere gratitude.

Faithfully yours,

RICHARD BRIGHT.

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LOVING GOD WITH ALL YOUR MIND

Thoughts Suggested by the Church's Program for Religious Education.

By Henderson Daingerfield Norman

In connection with the Church's program of Religious Education, my thoughts go back from time to time to a summer Sunday in the Valley of Virginia when we children were learning the catechism with Mamma under our apple tree. Little by little, memory has given it to me again.

We had to come to the clause in "My duty towards God" that says "My duty towards God is . . . to love Him . . . with all my mind."

"What does it mean?" one of us asked.

"What do you think it means?" Mamma replied.

"Learning Sunday School lessons and

collects and catechism and Bible verses," said I, always swift to speak.

"Yes," said Mamma, "but let's say the words again."

That time Judy commented, "It says 'with all thy mind.' It must mean everyday lessons, too."

We began, I remember, rather clamorously to nominate favorite studies:

"Geography,—because don't you remember what it says about the sea and the dry land, in the *Venite*?"

"Arithmetic! There's a lot about adding and multiplying in the Bible."

"History! Don't you remember our 'Hand of God in History' book?"

"Natural History! It says so in the *Benedicite*."

Then Ada, the little colored girl who was nominally a little nursemaid and actually the inseparable comrade of our childhood in study, work and play, made a characteristic contribution that won the beaming smile that was our best reward:

"And it means, when you take care of the baby, not just to watch him, but to amuse him good and keep him happy."

"Can you love God with all your mind when you are just reading for fun?" I inquired wistfully.

"Yes," the answer flashed, "with all your heart and with all your mind and with all your soul." The benediction has shone on all my reading since. "Of course," quoth my Mother, "Christians don't read bad books, and they ought not to read silly ones."

"Can you love Him with your mind when you are just thinking?" Willie Parker asked her.

"Let's see what St. Paul told the Philipians about that," Mamma suggested, and we triumphantly discovered it in the fourth chapter.

Later, one of us, repeating the "Duty" from the beginning, put strength before "mind" and "soul." From the crotched branch of the apple tree where he perched above us, the eleven-year-old brother called scornfully, "Zany! How are you going to love Him with all your strength before you love Him with your mind? How do you expect to know what He wants you to do?"

Spirit of Missions, Sept., 1924.

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Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
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CALENDAR

October

5—16th Sunday after Trinity.
12—17th Sunday after Trinity.
18—St. Luke Evangelist.
19—18th Sunday after Trinity.
26—19th Sunday after Trinity.
28—SS. Simon and Jude.

November

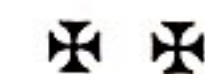
1—All Saints' Day.
2—20th Sunday after Trinity.

Altar Flowers.

Persons wishing to supply flowers for the Altar on particular or "memorial" Sundays are asked to consult any member of the Altar Guild.

It is eminently fitting that the Altars should be decked with flowers but October seems unusually lacking in memorials.

Miss Marguerite Bement or Miss Helen Williams would be glad to assign memorial days.



IN MANUS TUAS, DOMINE!

Into Thy hands, O Lord! When day is breaking,

The unknown hours I consecrate to Thee:

Give me the grace, from this my glad awaking,

To live and suffer, pray and work, for Thee.

Into Thy hands, O Lord! With Thee beside me,

Fearless I tread upon life's anxious road,

Knowing full well that, whatso'er betide me,

Thou wilt protect me, and wilt share my load.

Into Thy hands, O Lord! To Thy dear keeping,

The quiet hours of darkness I commend;

Keep me in safety waking, guard me sleeping,

Until the perfect day which knows no end.

—Ethel Miller.

Church Services.

The full schedule of services as announced on the cover of "The Record" has been resumed.

The purpose of these services is to give opportunity to the people to worship God. Gratitude, thankfulness, dependence, duty—these and many other motives should prompt exceptionally large attendance. Let us show honor to Him Who is our Creator-Father, our loving Saviour, and our inspiring Guide.



DEVOUT CUSTOMS

"Is it proper to leave the Altar rail immediately after having received" is a question recently asked of the rector. No, it is very improper. Let us look at it in this way. If we were invited to a friend's house, we should think it very disrespectful if someone left the table before the rest of the company had finished. Why then should we do so at God's table? It is not only disrespectful, it is irreverent. If, under certain conditions it becomes necessary to leave the rail before all have partaken, one should never do so until the third one past has received. In such case there would be no danger of jolting the arm of one who is holding the chalice. But even this is seldom necessary in a small church except on such special occasions as at Easter and Christmas, when the rector will usually indicate his wish in the matter. After leaving the rail a communicant should quietly and reverently return to his pew, and there remain kneeling until all have partaken. In receiving the wafer it should never be taken from the Priest with the thumb and finger, but the right hand should be slightly cupped and resting on the left. The Priest then places the wafer in the hand and there is no danger of its falling. The chalice should be guided to and from the lips by the communicant. Every detail should be gone through, reverently, decently and in order.—(Selected.)

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

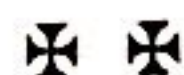
"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

OCTOBER

The Bible.

1. The Guide, II St. Tim. 3:14-17.
2. The Power, Psal. 19:7-11.
3. The Value, Psal. 119:97-104.
4. The Witness, St. Jn. 5:33-40.

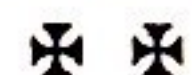
O Lord Jesus, Who hast told us in Thy Holy Word that Thou lovest us, and gavest Thy life for us, keep us in that love, and help us more and more to read, love and understand Thy Word, that we may learn of Thee and of the Holy Spirit of Thy Father in Heaven. Amen.



Christian Ideals.

5. Goodness, St. Matt. 7:15-21.
6. Peace, St. Jas. 3:13-18.
7. Self-control, St. Mark 9:38-45.
8. Courage, Acts 13:44-52.
9. Charity, St. Jas. 2.
10. Lightbearer, St. Matt. 5:1-16.
11. Consistency, I Thess. 4:1-8.

Regard, O Lord, with Thy favor all the members of this household and community. Bind us together in love, sympathy and forbearance. Brighten out daily existence with those endearing graces that come from Thee. Help us to live each for the other, and to find our happiness in doing good and denying ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Workers with God in Japan.

12. Offering of Jewels, Exo. 35:20-29.
13. Opportunity of the Strong, Rom. 15:1-3.
14. Neighborliness, St. Lu. 10:25-37.
15. International Duties, Rom. 10:11-15.
16. Practical Love, I St. Jn. 3:14-18.
17. Needs of the Distressed, St. Matt. 25:31-45.
18. The Christian's Joy, Gal. 6:1-10.

Almighty God, Who hast opened in Japan a great door of service for Thy Church, stir our hearts that we may rise up and build the waste places; that so our brethren may be strengthened and the East may see the brightness of Thy Son's rising, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confidence.

19. Object of Confidence, Psal. 65.
20. Basis of Confidence, I Sam. 17:38-50.
21. Confidence of Experience, St. Jn. 1:35-51.
22. Confidence through Humility, St. Jn. 13:3-20.
23. Confidence through God's Presence, Acts 16:19-34.
24. Spirit of Fearlessness, II St. Tim. 1:1-14.
25. Confidence through Faith, Eph. 3.

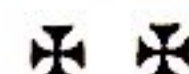
O God of peace, Who hast taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, that in quietness and confidence shall be our strength; By the might of Thy spirit lift us, we pray Thee, to Thy presence, where we may be still and know that Thou art God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Holy Communion.

26. Longing for God, Psal. 42.
27. Promise of Refreshment, Psal. 138.
28. The Bread of Life, St. Jn. 6:44-58.
29. The Communion, St. Matt. 26:17-30.
30. Christ's Presence, St. Lu. 24:13-31.
31. Preparation, I Cor. 11:23-29.

O Eternal Day-Spring, we wait for Thy appearing, as the watchman looketh for the morning. Come with the dawning, O Thou Divine Traveler, and make Thyself known to us in the breaking of the Bread and in the Cup of Blessing. O Strength of all our pilgrim days, receive the homage of our hearts and establish Thy Kingdom within us, that we may steadfastly follow Thee in this life, and finally be numbered with Thy saints in glory everlasting. Amen.



"Look upon the rainbow, and praise Him that made it; Exceeding beautiful in the brightness thereof. It compasseth the heaven roundabout with a circle of glory; The hands of the Most High have stretched it."—Eccles. 43:11, 12.

PASTORAL LETTER

My Dear Parishioners:

Once there were people—a priest and a Church official or layman—who shirked their plain duty. They doubtless excused themselves on various pretexts from helping a man in dire need. "We have our own obligations to perform and cannot take care of a strange wounded man." Fortunately, a foreigner passed by and rendered practical help in building up the man's physical condition.

This story of our Master's has a twofold application for us—of warning and of example. Of warning, for the Japanese who are in extreme need of help are our fellow Christians, Episcopalians. We cannot "pass them by on the other side"—of the Pacific. Of example, for racially the Japanese are foreigners to us and so the story of the Good Samaritan carries its full meaning.

The reconstruction of the destroyed hospitals, churches and schools in Japan is the task before the Church in Pennsylvania at this time. We cannot leave our fellow Christians half-dead. Something must be done.

Here we are perplexed by the multiplicity and magnitude of appeals; Japan Reconstruction, Near East, Welfare Federation, next year's parochial Budget, this year's heavy repair expenses and so on, besides personal obligations ever increasing.

The situation calls for a systematic adjustment of our finances in order that we may not turn deaf ears to any worthy object, but may give something to those in need.

St. Paul's instructions to his Corinthian congregation is a good solution to our perplexity. "Upon the first day of the week, let each one of you lay by him in store, as he may prosper." That weekly reservation, we should apportion as fairly as we may, according to the character of the appeal. Regular parochial contributions may perhaps take half, possibly more; the remainder should be justly divided, in contributions or pledges.

Only in this way can all the financial work of a Christian be accomplished. Only in this way can we be saved from undue financial pressure and consequent annoyance.

Will you, of St. Philip's, try more extensively than in the past where your record is praiseworthy, this "good neighbor" system?

Faithfully your Friend and Rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

A TENTH CENTURY BLESSING

(A Paraphrase)

Christ be with thee to defend thee,
To refresh thee be within.
All around thee to preserve thee
(Body well, and soul from sin),
Christ before thee so to guide thee,
And behind to justify;
Christ above thee stands to bless thee,
Glory be to God on high.

—Lucy A. K. Ade.

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild will hold the first meeting of this season on Wednesday afternoon, October 8, at 3 o'clock. At the call of our President, Mrs. J. H. Zebley, each member is asked to come to the meeting, hear of the work to be done for the winter, and to be interested and ready to do her part in it. We will be glad to welcome any one in the Parish who will come and help.

MARTHA W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Synopsis of the report of the Accounting Warden for the period from January 1st, 1924, to August 31st, 1924.

Cash.

Cash on hand August 31st, 1924	\$2,273.27
Total amount to be paid to designated agencies	2,547.47
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Available for general expenses	.00
Deficiency of Cash August 31st, 1924	\$ 274.20

Income and Expenses.

Income received to August 31st 1924	\$6,018.34
Amount of Easter offering in excess of 1923 deficiency applicable to expenses of 1924..	517.99
Total	\$6,536.33
Expenses paid to August 31st, 1924	7,000.78
Deficiency of Income to August 31st, 1924	\$ 464.45

Profit and Loss Account.

Debit balance January 1st, 1924	\$ 793.62
Deficiency of Income to August 31st, 1924	464.45
Pew Rent Arrearages prior to 1-1-24 to be charged off by authority of Vestry	184.63
Total	1,442.70
Amount of Easter Offering 1924 applied to 1923 deficit	1,454.50
Credit balance August 31st, 1924	\$ 11.80

Recapitulation.

General Fund Asset considered collectible	\$ 286.00
Cash Deficiency above	274.20
Amt. representing Profit and Loss Account	\$ 11.80

Winter's Objectives.

Purposeful, carefully planned activities produce best results.

Sometimes we are so busy working that we accomplish nothing—like squirrels in a cage.

It is well that our parochial work should be wisely planned, so that we may know where we are going.

It was suggested by a Vestryman that a series of parish meetings, dinners or get together occasions should be held this winter.

It was suggested at the Vestry meeting, also, that the Church property should be thoroughly inspected and a tabulation made of needed repairs, which should be undertaken seriatim according to urgency and our financial ability—a campaign for preservation thorough renovation.

Further, it was suggested that the Every Member Canvass this year should be thorough and more systematic.

Here is a threefold objective which will be included in our Parish Program of work.

The Vestry has appointed a committee to confer with and co-operate with the Women's Guild in arranging for a Parish dinner to be given in the near future.

The Property Committee will, after careful study, present a report of the physical condition of the Church property.

The Finance Committee guarantees the completeness of the Every Member Canvass.

These three plans will elicit great interest and co-operation on the part of the whole congregation, and the winter gives promise of real work.

And the Rector is chiefly responsible for a fourth objective, namely to lead the people to an increased knowledge of God, and the many duties and privileges dependent on that knowledge.

The social, physical, financial and spiritual sides of Church life are thus included in our "Four-square" Winter's Objective.

May God prosper our handiwork.

RESUMPTION OF ACTIVITIES
SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Weekly.

Sundays, Church School, 9:45 a. m.	Director, the Rector.
Young People's Society, 7 p. m.	President, Miss Harriet Culin.
Tuesdays, Mothers' Meeting, 8 p. m.	Leader, Miss M. L. B. Ashburner.
Fridays, Boy Scouts, Troop 241, 7:45 p. m.	Scoutmaster, Mr. J. Williamson Miller.
Choir Rehearsal, 8 p. m.	Organist and Choirmaster, Mr. A. T. Maynard.

Monthly.

Vestry, Fourth Tuesdays, 8:15 p. m.	Rector's Warden, Mr. J. Hause Zebley.
Accounting Warden, Mr. C. L. Filbert.	
Church School Faculty, Fourth Tuesdays, 6 p. m.	
Woman's Auxiliary, Last Mondays, 2:30 p. m.	President, Miss Marguerite Bement.
Women's Guild, Second Wednesdays, 3 p. m.	President, Mrs. J. Hause Zebley
Scout Troop Committee, First Thursdays, 8:15 p. m.	Chairman, Mr. F. T. Field, Jr.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Third Thursdays, 8 p. m.	Secretary, Mr. George C. Claghorn.

There are sufficient meetings, and ample variety of work, to meet the convenience and abilities of everyone in the Parish. No one can give the excuse "No one hath hired us." YOU are now and hereby invited to associate yourself definitely with the working agencies of the Parish.

Our Nation-Wide Campaign Account.

The Diocesan office reports that for the first eight months of 1924, we are credited with \$2020.25, applying on our Quota of \$5000, with \$39.81 for Priorities, and with \$539.95 for purposes not included in the Quota.

Undoubtedly, if all the pledges for Missions are paid, we shall complete our Quota by December 31—as in the past years.

Will you do your share?



Our Annual Requests.

1. We welcome newcomers to our services and invite them to the meetings of the organizations which are listed elsewhere.

PLEASE give your name and address to the Rector.

2. If anyone connected with the Parish has changed his address during the summer, the Rector should be notified immediately. PLEASE send your new address.

3. Communicants removing to this Parish are required by Canon to bring Letters of Transfer, and communicants removing from this Parish are required to take Letter of Transfer to their new Parish. PLEASE do so.



A Unique Offering.

Fashions change in jewelry and silverware, as in clothes, though the value of the metal does not materially differ.

It is often a question what to do with certain earrings or brooches, pins or rings—watches which won't go, dilapidated silverware and such things.

Bring such articles to Church on October 12 (or send them before) and offer them for the Japan Reconstruction Fund. The proceeds will be used by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese to build girls' schools and kindergartens in Japan.

Start your house cleaning with jewelry "rummage."

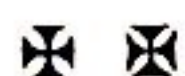
THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Children's Eucharist

On St. Matthew's Day, instead of class lessons, the pupils attended a celebration of the Holy Eucharist in Church at 9:45, at which explanations of the meaning of the Sacrament were made at various points. Those who were confirmed received the Holy Communion.

There was no music until the close—but in quietness the congregation "drew near" to God. The attention of even the youngest pupils was keen, as shown by the many questions, asked quietly of the teachers. A spirit of reverence marked the whole service.

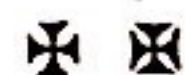
Really the Holy Communion service is the most impressive and interesting service of the Church to children, as well as the most important.



Young People's Society.

The Y. P. S. will resume its Sunday evening meetings on October 5.

All young people, boys and girls over 16, are cordially invited.



Rummage Sale.

The Faculty has arranged to hold a Rummage Sale, for the benefit of the Church School, on Saturday, October 25.

Articles suitable for the sale are earnestly requested. They may be left at the Parish House on any day previous to October 25.



Parties.

Remember the Hallowe'en parties!

On Hallowe'en, Friday evening, October 31, for the Senior School.

On Saturday afternoon, November 1, for the Lower School.

Diocesan Institutes.

The Annual Church School Institute of the Diocese will be held in St. James' Parish House, 2210 Sansom Street, on Monday, October 20, commencing at 3:30 p. m. Conferences for teachers and others will take place in the afternoon. After supper addresses will be made by the Rev. Karl Block, of Roanoke, Va., who will speak on Young People's Work, and the Rev. Edwin R. Carter, of Petersburg, Va., whose subject will be Religious Education of the Home.

On the following Tuesday and Wednesday, Missionary Institutes have been arranged, to be held in St. James' Church, morning, afternoon and evening, in the interests of the Every Member Campaign.



Church Normal School.

On Thursdays, at the Church House, beginning October 9, a Church Normal School (of which the Rector is Principal) will be conducted for the benefit of Teachers, Parents and Church people generally.

Three classes will be held at 5 p. m.; a supper will be served at 6. Six classes will follow at 6:40 and six other classes at 7:40, concluding with lectures by Prof. Holmes mentioned below.

Any one may attend any of the classes.



Important Lectures.

At the Church House, on Thursday evenings, commencing October 9 at 8:40 p. m. Prof. Arthur Holmes, Professor of Psychology in the University of Pennsylvania, will give a course of lectures on "The Psychology of Prayer."

These lectures are open to the public and promise to be extremely helpful.

Professor Holmes is a most thoughtful and interesting speaker. His subject is important and timely.

The Good Samaritan did not leave the poor wounded man to die by the wayside because at Jerusalem and Jericho there were many poor and helpless sufferers for whom he could do nothing. No; he did what his hand found to do, and, while he blessed others, he was himself yet more blessed. Never mind the man with five talents, or the man with two talents; you and I have received but one: we are bidden to put out the money to the exchangers; and just now an opportunity is provided for us. Let everyone do something. Let there be not one to shirk his duty.—F. C. Woodhouse.



A New York Superintendent of Schools is reported to have made the following suggestions to parents:

1. Set proper standards for your children to follow.
2. Be friends with your children. Live not above them, but with them.
3. Do not scold too much. Encourage them to do their best. Bishop Phillips Brooks said: "Children are white, spotted black; not black, spotted white."
4. See that they select proper friends and associates.
5. Make "home" as comfortable as your means permit.
6. Give your children at least a high school education.
7. Train them in the habit of regular attendance at Church and Sunday School.
8. See that they avoid all games of chance. A gambler never can be a success in life.
9. See that your children take plenty of physical training in the open air. It is better exercise to walk than to ride in an auto.
10. Let your children feel that any honor which they win in school, or any act of courage, or usefulness they may perform, will bring great happiness to father and mother and put the family name on a higher plane of honor.

A PRIME MINISTER'S CONVICTION

There is an over-indulgence in recreation today. There is incapacity to spend a good Sunday. I am amazed at a great many of my friends who say the old Scotch Sabbath was a burden. I would rather—I sometimes cannot but blame myself for not doing it—I would like to see a state of society where every man and every woman preferred the old Scotch Sabbath to the modern French one because in that state of society you would have a fine, solid, eternal foundation of character and self-command upon which to build up your Churches and your States. Your Toryisms and your Liberalisms and your Laborisms, whatever they are, can none of them exist without solid foundations of character; and whether you have got Tory Government, or Liberal Government, or Labor Government in office you can't do very much with people who can be nothing but amused, people who can be nothing but entertained by somebody else, a gramophone or something else, people who have not in themselves the capacity to spend time with themselves.

We have to remember that the conscience of Christianity is this, that it is the human quality that alone matters. We are not out for quantities, we are not out for equality, we are out for quality—quality! And the finite can never receive quality, except from the infinite; the earthly can never receive quality except from what is not earthly; the temporal can never receive quality except from the infinite. And only in so far as our Churches seize upon that—and not Churches only, but our politicians as well—seize upon that and bring you back, bring the Nation back to those fundamental facts, you can pass what legislation you like, and your legislation will never fructify in the way that we would like it.—Rt. Hon Ramsay MacDonald.

THE EARLY CELEBRATION

By the Rev. Jos. Cullen Ayer

Among the services of the Church there is one that has obtained a peculiar place in the hearts of some; it is the early celebration of the Holy Communion. In the quiet of the Sunday morning, before the bustle and distractions of the day have begun, the worshipper leaves home. The one thought is the service before him. In the quiet of the church he kneels with others to join in the memorial of the Lord's appointment. There is a hush of reverence and a solemnity of silence that fill the holy house. The priest enters and with the utmost simplicity the divine office is read. The stateliness of the noon-day celebration, with its inevitable elaboration and frequent distractions, is absent. From the altar the Christian returns with a sense that in that Sacrament, received under such helpful conditions, he has come into very close contact with the Lord Jesus, closer than at any other time.

It is a perpetual wonder to those who have found a deeper value in this service, that still relatively few appreciate its beauty and spiritual power. A handful attend, perhaps fifteen or twenty. Sunday after Sunday the same faces are seen, assuring one that they do appreciate the service, but also that comparatively few have found in it a special value. They know what they gain, otherwise they would not be there. But why are not others there as well? Why does not the number grow?

When inquiry is made as to the non-attendance at this service the answer most frequently given is that the hour is too early. It is customary in matters of religion to make excuses and raise objections without thinking much of their value. Let the matter of time be examined. The service begins at 7.30 promptly,

and it is through about 8.05. There are few who can not be home by 8.20. Probably the majority would be home at 8.15. Sunday breakfast is a rather late meal in most households and there is ample time for preparing and eating breakfast. The children can be got ready for Church School and sent, that is if the children get up promptly, as they should, when called and have their breakfast when they should, in other words, if all are willing to do their part in mutual helpfulness and have Christian consideration for each other. There is nothing imaginary or fanciful in this. It is as things are done in family after family. The real trouble is not the hour of service or the lack of time, but the failure of the family to adjust itself to the comfort and convenience of all concerned. One or two selfishly upset the whole morning and keep others waiting on their sloth.

No doubt the attendance at the early celebration often calls for some slight self-sacrifice. Has not one a right to expect that if there is a sacrifice involved it will be a more acceptable service to Almighty God, and consequently of more spiritual benefit to oneself? "Ye shall not appear before the Lord empty" was the old command, and there is a more acceptable offering to God than the coin in the alms basin; it is the offering of self-denial and sacrifice. Possibly the sacrifice is too small to be regarded as of any consequence. It is certainly too large for some to make.

Probably the real reason why more do not avail themselves of the early celebration of the Holy Communion is merely that they have never tried it and so do not know its helpfulness. Most earnest Christians are dissatisfied with their spiritual condition and find that their worship falls far below their ideal. To them a suggestion is made; let them attend the early celebration Sunday after Sunday and see if there is not brought to them thereby a deeper sense of God's presence in their lives, a finer spirit of reverence in their worship, and a spiritual uplift that is new in their experience.

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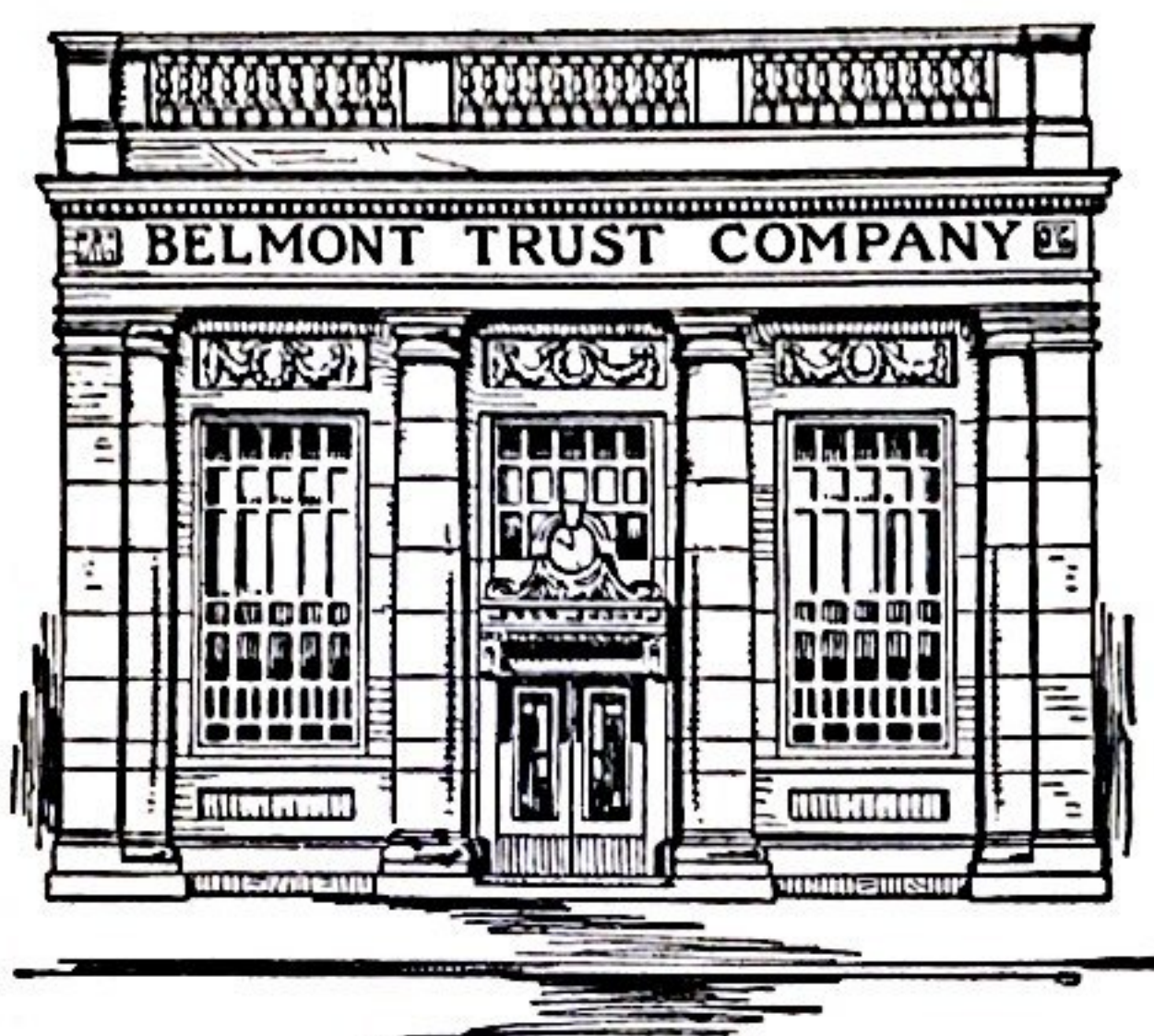
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CALENDAR

November.

1. *All Saints' Day.*
2. Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.
9. Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.
16. Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.
23. Sunday next before Advent.
27. *Thanksgiving Day.*
30. First Sunday in Advent.

December

1. *St. Andrew's Day* (by transference).
7. Second Sunday in Advent.



PARISH REGISTER

Communicants Received.

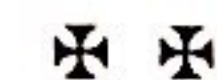
- October 2—Chester J. Cutting, Marion W. Cutting, from Church of the Atonement.
- October 14—Joseph Horton, Anna L. Horton, Arthur Horton, from Holy Sacrament Mission, Highland Park. Lilian P. McDowell, from Church of England in Canada.

Communicants Transferred

- October 22—Louise Rutherford to St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, Del.

MARRIAGES

- October 6—Richard G. Clark, and Elise L. Fullerton.
- October 25—Wilbur Fisk Turner and Dorothy Carlisle Howard.



A Sixteenth Century Prayer.

God be in my head
And in my understanding,
God be in mine eyes,
And in my seeing,
God be in my mouth
And in my speaking,
God be in my heart
And in my thinking.
(Sarum Primer, 1558).

AMEN

Church services are occasions for common prayer, in which all people participate.

The prayers are not solely the minister's part.

The hymns are not solely the choir's part.

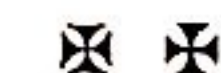
The Congregation is expected to take part in the prayers, and in the singing of hymns and canticles. Hearty congregational singing is an inspiration to all. Well-trained singing on the part of the choir is also an inspiration. Both kinds of singing are needed in the "common" service.

But particularly in the prayers the congregation should not be lax in its duty. Its vocal part is a small one—merely saying "Amen" at the end of each prayer—but heartfelt earnest devotion should be expressed by the word.

There is one prayer especially, where the people's response should be deliberate and enthusiastic, namely after the "Prayer of Humble Access" on page 235, for this prayer is said "in the name of all those who shall receive the Holy Communion."

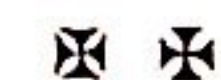
Singularly enough the response here is notably weak and almost inaudible.

As the response of Amen indicates the desire on the part of the congregation to receive our Lord's Body and Blood, it should be fittingly reverent.



THE LOGICAL PARISH

Every parish in the land assumes that the Church has a clergyman ready for it when a vacancy occurs. Every parish should, as a logical consequence, either have a young man from its numbers studying for the ministry or should provide a fund for the purpose of assisting some young man to study for the ministry. What a splendid memorial would be a gift of five thousand dollars, the income from which would keep one man studying for Orders.—*Rev. George P. Atwater in The Witness.*



"No man ever broke his back lifting the load God gave him."

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

NOVEMBER

Communion of Saints.

1. The Blessed Dead, Wisdom 3:1-9.
2. Communion of Works, Tit. 3:4-14.
3. Fellowship of Love, St. Jn. 14:22-26.
4. Fellowship of Nations, Acts 2:1-11.
5. Communion in Humility, Phil. 2:1-4.
6. Fellowship of Faith, St. Jn. 17:17-23.
7. Fellowship of Spirit, I Cor. 12:1-11.
8. Fellowship in God, Eph. 4:1-6.

Lord, we pray Thee that Thou wilt open our eyes to behold the heaven that lies about us, wherein they walk, who being born to the new life, serve Thee with clearer vision and greater joy; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Hymn 299.

The Armor of God.

9. Complete Equipment, Eph. 6:1-10.
10. Girdle of Truth, Eph. 4:17-32.
11. Breastplate of Righteousness, Rom. 6:12-23.
12. Shoes of Peace, Isa. 52:1-10.
13. Shield of Faith, Gal. 3:22-29.
14. Helmet of Salvation, I. Thess. 5:1-11.
15. Sword of the Spirit, Heb. 4:9-16.

O Lord of all grace and strength, be with me this day. Help me to remember that I am Thy soldier and have promised to fight under Thy banner unto my life's end. May the Holy Spirit ever be with me to guide and strengthen me this day and ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Hymn 346

Fruits

16. Of Righteousness, St. Jas. 3:13-18.
17. Of Good Works, Gal. 6:6-10.
18. Of the Spirit, Gal. 5:22-26.
19. Of Peace, Isa. 32:16-18.
20. Of Kindness, Hos. 10:12.
21. Of Light, Eph. 5:6-11.
22. Of Life, Rom. 6:20-23.

We beseech Thee, O Lord, for the gifts and for the grace of the Holy Spirit; give us more love to Thee and to our neighbors; more joy in worship, more peace at all times, more long-suffering, gentleness and kindness of heart and manner. May we know something of what it means to be filled with the Holy Ghost. For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 197.

Thanksgiving

23. Search for Fruit, St. Lu. 13:6-9.
24. Duty of Thanksgiving, Hab. 3:17-19.
25. Thanks for the Christian Religion, Phil. 2:1-11.
26. Thanks for the Catholic Church, Eph. 5:22-33.
27. Spirit of Thanksgiving, Psa. 107.
28. Thanks for our Institutions, Psa. 147.

29. Thanks for Opportunities of Service, St. Jas. 1:16-27.

29. Search for Fruit, St. Lu. 13:6-9.

Almighty and Heavenly Father, we glorify Thee that Thou hast again fulfilled to us Thy gracious promise, that while the earth remaineth, seed-time and harvest shall not fail. We bless Thee for the kindly fruits of the earth, which Thou hast given to our use.

Teach us, we beseech Thee, to remember that it is not by bread alone that man doth live, and grant us evermore to feed on Him Who is the true Bread from Heaven, even Jesus Christ our Lord, to Whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Hymn 425.

Advent.

30. A Redeemer promised, Gen. 3.
- December 1—The Search for God, Job. 23.
- December 2—The Vision of the Reign of God, Isa. 35.
- December 3—Preparation for the King, Rom. 13:8-13.
- December 4—Results of His coming, St. Matt. 21:1-17.
- December 5—His Forerunner, St. Lu. 3:1-23.
- December 6—The Promise fulfilled, Heb. 1.

Almighty God, Who in Thy Providence hast made all ages a preparation for the Kingdom of Thy Son, we beseech Thee to make ready our hearts for the brightness of Thy glory. Awaken us from our slumbers. Quicken us, O Thou Who art the Eternal Life. Revive and deepen our faith in the spiritual realities. Kindle our affections and restore us to hope. Our eyes wait for the glorious and blessed dawn. Let us behold that Dayspring from on high, that we may live in peace; through Jesus Christ our Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

Hymn 70

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

The thoughts which follow are largely of a general nature and apply to every Parish, but, applying to every Parish, they apply also to St. Philip's.

The pressure of modern life calls for an entire readjustment of our ideas—including what is expected of the Minister of any Parish.

When there were fewer organizations, parochial, community and Diocesan—the clergy were able to pay real pastoral calls on their people—though doubtless much calling was of a purely social character.

Now, social calls have almost passed away—even amongst friends who are busily employed in many ways. It seems difficult for a Rector to call on his people socially, and, apparently, for the people to call on the Rector socially.

Real pastoral calls, however, are important. They form the closest point of contact between Pastor and People, and all Rectors are ready to call on their people at once, in sickness or in trouble, for counsel or advice or whenever their presence is desired—if they know they are wanted.

This is just the point.

I must, in fairness to the parish and to myself, disclaim any supernatural powers of clairvoyance. I cannot know if anyone is ill, or desires to see me, unless I am told. When such word comes, I am ready to call immediately. The telephone is used when a physician is needed—why not when a minister is desired?

Indirect information is welcomed, failing the direct word, but it is sometimes inaccurate or exaggerated. A minister acts on it—often to find that the person who he understood was "in extremis" had gone to a bridge party!

Again, a postcard when a person removes from one place to another (a common habit) would save much time and inconvenience. Recently, I spent an entire afternoon calling at addresses from which the families had removed—without notifying me.

Do you wonder that a minister cannot do all that is expected of him?

Paraphrasing a quotation referring to finances: "It may be a minister's duty to suffer inconvenience, but it is not part of a congregation's duty to cause him inconvenience." Because—such inconvenience simply wastes his time, and prevents him from serving the Parish properly.

I earnestly request everyone in the Parish:

1. To notify me—as required by the Prayer Book (p. 281) "when any person is sick" in the family.

2. To notify me when an address is changed.

Then my time can be more advantageously spent in the work of the Parish.

Faithfully your friend and rector,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

In connection with the Japan Reconstruction Fund, Mr. Walter M. Kalmey, of the Church of the Epiphany, addressed the morning congregation on October 12.

The Rev. George G. Bartlett, D. D., Dean of the Philadelphia Divinity School, was the preacher on the morning of October 26.

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The Woman's Auxiliary

The Auxiliary meets on the last Monday of each month at 2.30 P. M.

Delegates to Diocesan meetings make reports on the various fields of work undertaken by the Auxiliary.

Special speakers representing the fields address the meetings from time to time.

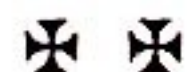
These meetings are opportunities to come into close and definite touch with the missionary work. They make missions live.

A phase of the work in which more helpers are desired is knitting and sewing.

The sewing is done partly in conjunction with the all-day meetings of the Women's Guild, and partly at individual convenience. A definite assignment of work has been accepted by our parish branch of the Auxiliary.

The knitting can be done by anyone in the parish who will make needed articles with wool furnished by the Auxiliary.

Please offer your services to Miss Marguerite Bement—and attend the meetings on the last Monday afternoons.



CONGRATULATIONS

We extend hearty congratulations to St. Mary's Parish which this month is commemorating the hundredth anniversary of its organization.

We also extend our hearty good wishes to the Woodland Presbyterian Church which has recently been re-opened after having been thoroughly renovated.

The age of churches only indicates growth in service.

May God's blessing rest upon these our neighbors.

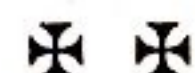
THE WOMEN'S GUILD

The attendance at the first meeting of the year was very encouraging and we most cordially welcome those who were with us for the first time.

The important item of business was the annual effort to raise funds for the parish. This year, it happens to be extensive repairs on the organ and furnace, requiring an extra effort, as the amount to be raised far exceeds that of former years.

The earnest co-operation of each parishioner, by an early and favorable reply to the letter sent stating the parish's need in this respect, is most urgently requested.

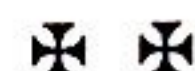
MARTHA W. HARPER
 Corresponding Secretary



Meeting for Church Women

The autumn meeting of the League of West Philadelphia Church Women will be held in St. Mary's Parish House, 3916 Locust street, on Wednesday, November 5 at 2.30 P. M.

The delegates to each of the three committees and the chairmen of the Auxiliary and the Guild are expected and all other women in the Parish will be gladly welcomed.



Christmas Cards

Christmas cards are of two kinds—those containing social greetings and those conveying the spiritual message of the Christmas season.

The quality and character of both kinds are excellent and the choice is always difficult.

We are living in a dual society, as it were, partly Christian, partly purely social. It seems that our Christmas greetings should be classified. Amongst ourselves, as Churchpeople, cards of a deeply religious nature should be interchanged. Amongst others, a friendly greeting might answer.

In any case we must remember the significance of Christmas and manifest Christian love and friendship even in the selection of cards and gifts.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The Faculty

Our faculty is now complete with a competent corps of teachers, most of whom have been with us for many years—some of whom we welcome as new members of our teaching staff.

It is largely due to the co-operation and ability of the teachers that St. Philip's Church School enjoys a reputation of high standing in the community and Diocese.

Director—the Rector.

Superintendent and Secretary, Mr. H. O. J. Childs.

Treasurer, Mr. A. E. King.

Lower School

The grades, subjects and teachers, respectively, are as follows:

Kindergarten—Our Father's Gifts—Miss Fannie Knowlton.

First—Trust in God (Creed)—Mrs. C. F. Sackett.

Second—Obedience to God—Miss Jane F. Hill.

Third—God with Man (Church)—boys, Mrs. G. Y. Edwards; girls, Miss Emma Hood.

Fourth—God's Great Family—Miss Elisabeth Eyer.

Upper School

Fifth—Christian Seasons (Church Year)—boys, Mr. Bruce McHenry; girls, Mrs. L. H. Riegner.

Sixth—Church Worship and Membership—boys, Mrs. K. Rosborough and Miss Frederick; girls, Mrs. Flanders.

Seventh—Life of our Lord—Mrs. W. C. Crowell.

Eighth—Long Life of the Church—boys, Mr. R. C. Flanders; girls, Miss Alfriend.

Ninth—Our Church and Her Mission—Miss H. White.

Tenth—Winning the World—the Rector. Senior boys—Studies in the Bible—Mr. R. A. Hershey.

Senior girls—The Creed—Miss Irene F. Neumann.

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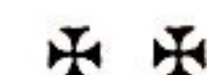
This Parish branch of the C. S. S. L. has been asked to fill a Christmas Box for St. Mark's Mission, Atlanta, Ga.

All box work this year is for Missions for Colored People.

Gifts are desired for ninety children ranging in age from infants to boys and girls eighteen years old.

Please be prepared to contribute—or make—some "joyful" gifts (toys, games, etc.) and some "useful" gifts, so that the box may be completed early in December.

In addition, a "Group Box" composed of gifts from all branches in the Diocese, over and above the assigned boxes, will be presented about November 15. Extra gifts may be designated for this purpose.



Young People's Society

On the first Sunday evening in October the Y. P. S. met for organization.

Mr. Thomas B. Holloway, Jr., was elected president, Miss Charlotte Eyer, vice president, and Miss Eleanor Corliss, secretary and treasurer.

Discussions have been held on such pertinent topics as "The relation of Young People to the Church," and "The effect of Radio on the Church."

All persons between sixteen and twenty-five are cordially invited on Sunday evenings at 7 P. M.

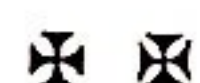
On Tuesday night, October 14, in the Church House, thirty-six delegates representing five hundred and fifteen young people of our newly organized Diocesan Fellowship decided to hold the First Annual Meeting of our Young People's Fellowship on Monday, November 17th, at 6.30 P. M., in St. Mark's Parish House, Frankford. Supper will be served for fifty cents. Delegates will tell of the methods that have met with success in their own societies and a special speaker will address the convention on the progress made by the Young People's Fellowship throughout the United States.

St. Philip's Y. P. S. was represented by Mr. Thomas Holloway, Jr., and Miss Eleanor Corliss.

FAMOUS SHIPS

Famous Ships in American History was the subject of an American Book Company calendar a few years ago. It might be amusing and profitable to make a list of Famous Ships in the Bible, both Old and New Testaments, Famous Ships in Church History, in "Missions." This could include small boats. How many boats, for example, are mentioned in the Gospel? And, to name only a few, there could be fitted into their proper lists the Ark, the ship that took Jonah to Tarshish, the ships in which St. Paul journeyed—and the Golden Hind, the Morning Star, the Pelican. Does anyone know the name of the ship that brought Captain Robert Hunt to Jamestown in 1607, the ships that took our first Missionaries to three continents, the ship that brought Bishop Seabury, our first Bishop, back to us?

Note—Who will work out the list and send it to the Rector, mentioning either the names of the ships, or, in the case of the three names given, some fact about them?



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The party given by the troop Friday evening, October 3, was very successful. It was given to increase the membership in the troop and boost Treasure Island, the summer camp of the Scouts.

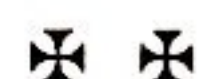
The early part of the evening was spent in playing games, then we all went down stairs to the new troop room where we had sandwiches, punch, ice cream and cake. During the "feed" we had speeches by Mr. Pancoast, assistant field executive in Philadelphia headquarters, and Mr. Field, chairman of the troop committee.

Anyone in the parish interested in the troop is welcome to come to the meetings. We still want more members for the troop committee.

C. SUMNER KATZ,
Scribe.

Pledge for Japan

The Church School has made a pledge of \$150 for the Japan Reconstruction Fund. It plans to meet this obligation by a weekly contribution from each class of not less than 10 cents (in addition to the usual envelope offering). In two years the total amount will be secured. Miss Eleanor Corliss has been appointed the treasurer of this Pledge Fund.



YOUR CHILDREN

Abraham Lincoln said:

"I am profitably engaged in reading the Bible. Take all of this book upon reason that you can and the balance upon faith and you will live and die a better man."

Are Your Children reading the Bible? Are they familiar with its contents? Are they learning to understand its contents? Are they getting an understanding that will not have to be changed materially later on in life?

Now is the time for them to receive correct impressions.

You owe to your children a religious as well as a secular education. The formation of their moral character rests upon you.

Send them to Church School regularly.



BUILDING BY PROXY

Some of you are doubtless interested in the American Church Building Fund Commission, which aids parishes and missions to erect needed buildings by giving a portion of the total sum required.

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POPULARITY OR REALITY

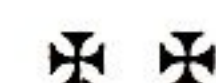
"It is a common opinion that the true test of the Christian Religion is its popularity, whereas the real test of it is its reality. There is nothing in the life or teaching of the Master which even hints at the idea that popularity is an essential element in the Gospel." (Bishop Johnson in "The Witness.")



THE ATTITUDE OF OUR BISHOPS

A ringing challenge to the Bishops, meeting in New York recently, with the National Council, was made by Bishop Darst, of East Carolina, who said, "This was not a time to scale the budgets down to the will of the Dioceses, but to scale the giving up to the will of God."

There was no evidence of a desire to retrench, but rather to make more evident to the Church at large, both the privilege and the opportunity of carrying out the Church's great missionary program . . . by arousing the Church to a deeper sense of responsibility for the Mission of the Church which would necessarily express Ark, the ship that took Jonah to Tarshish, itself in providing a larger support.



WHICH POSITION DO YOU OCCUPY IN YOUR CHURCH?

ARE YOU—

An attendant or absenter?

A pillar or a sleeper?

A wing or a weight?

A power or a problem?

A promoter or a provoker?

A giver or a getter?

A worker or a worry?

A booster or a boaster?

A peacemaker or a strife-creator?

A supporter or a sponger?

A soldier or a slacker?

A friend or a faultfinder?

A helper or a hinderer?

A possessor or a professor?

There with the goods or off with an excuse?

Does your priest count on you or count without you?—*Church News*, (West Texas).

HONEST NOW

Am I really and truly interested in objects and ideals—or do I just think I am? What do I do to prove my interest—that it's half as vital, for example, as I think it is?

How do I look to the man out-side? Could he tell I am interested by what I do?

Am I a good example for everybody to follow? or do I just think I am? or do I think about my responsibility in this connection, at all?

Do I attend Church services as often as I think I do?

How often do I speak a word of encouragement or praise to the minister, or have a pleasant word or smile for his wife? Do I as often as I think I do?

How would the minister classify me? As interested? Indifferent? Cold? As a friend and helper, or just as—one of the congregation? Would he be justified by what I do?

Do I really give as the Lord has prospered me, or do I just think I do? If I should add up my contributions to local Church support and to Missions, would they represent as large a part of my total income as I think they do?

Would a stranger think me as liberal as I think I am, even if he had all the facts of my other responsibilities?

Do I really care for Missions at all? Do I really ever deny myself—a new suit, cigars, street car rides (when walking would be better for my health)—anything to help forward the cause? Do I really deny myself or do I just think I do?

Do I really think it more blessed to give than to receive, or do I just think I do?

What kind of a Church member am I anyhow? Am I the kind I think I am, or do I just think I am?

Try a little introspection along these lines.—(Parish Leaflet)

DO WE BELIEVE IN PRAYER AND COMMUNION OF SAINTS?

Somebody asked us if we believe in prayer. They might ask if we believe in breathing. A Christian without prayer would be worse than a bird without wings. Prayer? Thank God for prayer, for the hundreds of promises which encourage prayer, the answers to prayers recorded in the Bible and for the experiences of the saints of God, which prove that God answers prayer. The first thing we remember in our life is prayer. In the earliest childhood prayer in child-like faith was enjoyed, and through the many years of a Christian life prayer has been the refuge and the delight. To cultivate a constant spirit and attitude of prayer ought to be the aim of every child of God. As we move about, work or rest, the heart may be in His presence.

And we believe in the prayer of intercession. Praying one for another and for all the saints is a blessed privilege. It is one of the joys of our Christian life, to pray for our beloved ones by name and we are conscious that many of God's people mention us before the throne of Grace.

And may we pray for our beloved ones who are with Jesus in Paradise? Certainly! It is comforting to learn that at the last General Convention of our Church, provision was made, in the new revision of our Prayer Book, for prayers for the departed. We all, who have lost loved ones for whom we prayed whilst they were with us on earth, cannot cease our prayers for them, now that they are no longer with us in the flesh. They are still close to us when we are in Communion with Jesus. Why should we not pray for them? Our hearts cannot help going out to them and for them in prayer. And they!—surely they, who loved us here, and prayed for us, love us still and are praying for us now that they are in the fuller presence of Jesus.

How beautifully the poet puts into words this universal yearning of the human heart:

How can I cease to pray for thee? Somewhere

In God's great universe thou art today.
Can He not reach thee with His tender care?

Can He not hear me when for thee I pray?

What matters it to Him who holds within

The hollow of His hand all worlds, all space,

That thou art done with earthly pain and sin?

Somewhere within His ken thou hast a place.

Somewhere thou livest, and hast need of Him;

Somewhere thy soul sees higher heights to climb;

And somewhere still, there may be valleys dim

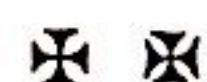
That thou must pass, to reach the hills sublime.

Then all the more because thou canst not hear

Poor human words of blessing, will I pray—

O true, brave heart! God bless thee! wheresoe'er

In His great universe thou art today!
(Christ Church Chimes.)



WHAT WE CAN DO

We can make its service attractive by our faithful attendance and earnest participation in the worship. A kind word or welcoming hand or pleasant smile or all combined can make the stranger feel that he is in his Father's house.

We can increase the usefulness of the Rector by notifying him of sickness or need and by keeping him posted on the changes of address. If each member would send a postal on removal, how many useless miles of travel would be saved!

We can increase the influence of the Church by our presence and interest in all massed gatherings and in the regular meetings of the various organizations.

We can deepen our spiritual life by our regular participation in the Holy Communion.

We can, above all things, remember the Church, its Rector and people in our prayers.—Rev. F. M. Taitt, D. D.

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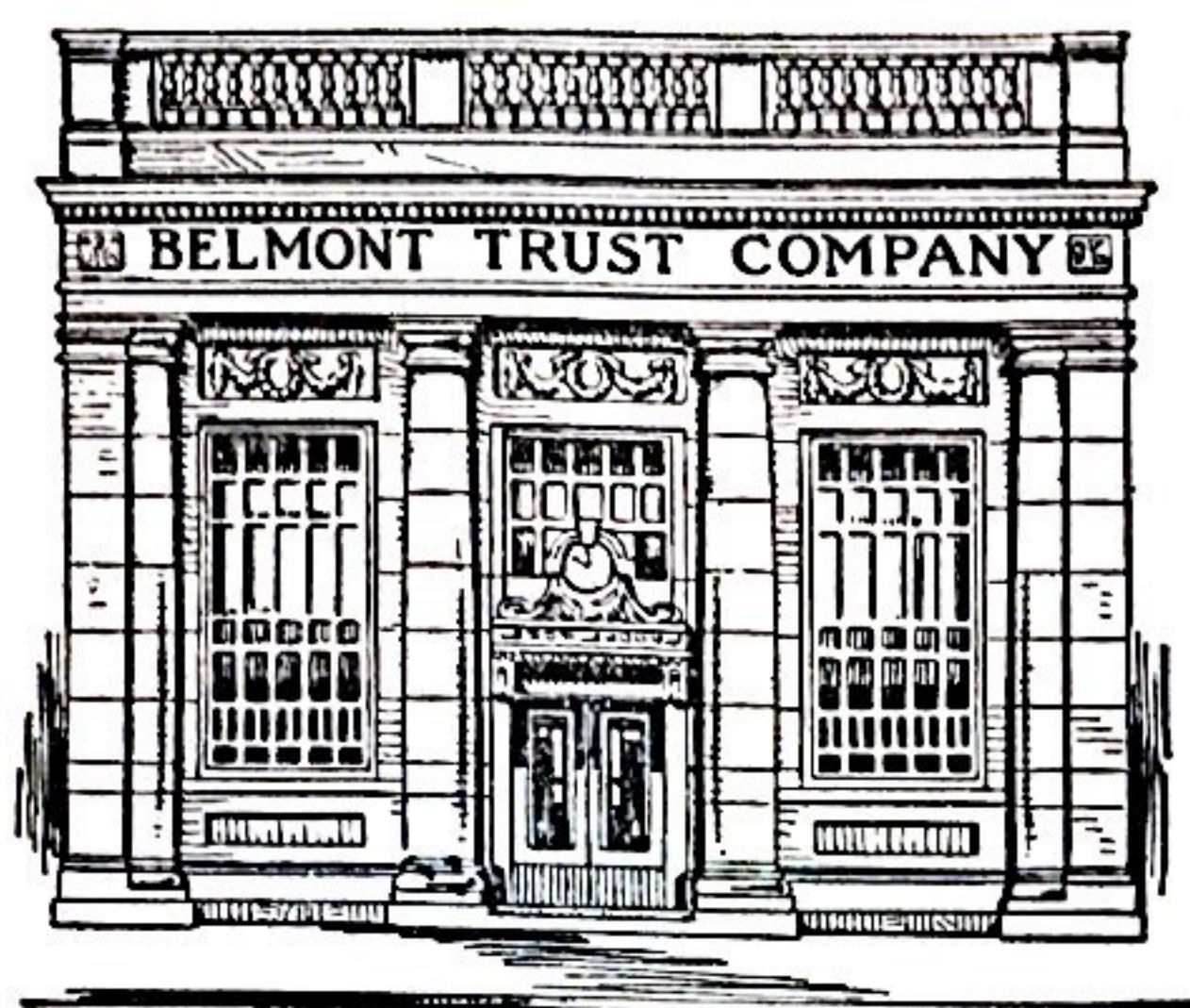
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Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

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CALENDAR

December.

1. St. Andrew's Day (by transference).
7. Second Sunday in Advent.
14. Third Sunday in Advent.
- 17, 19, 20, Ember Days.
21. Fourth Sunday in Advent (St. Thomas.)
25. CHRISTMAS DAY.
26. St. Stephen, Martyr.
27. St. John, Evangelist.
28. The Innocents' Day.

January.

1. The Circumcision.
4. Second Sunday after Christmas.



PARISH REGISTER

Baptism.

November 1—Samuel Brown Corliss.

Burial.

Francis M. Hutchinson.

Marriage.

November 6—John Kenard Conant and
Jane Ethel Briggs.

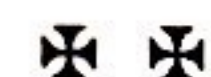
Communicants Received.

November 16—Florence Rees, from Holy
Faith, Sante Fe, N. M.
Sara Cuthbert Dean, from
St. Giles, Stonehurst, Pa.



ALTAR FLOWERS FOR DECEMBER

First Sunday—Mr. Robert Wark.
Second Sunday—Mrs. W. P. Bement.
Third Sunday—Miss M. Bement.
Christmas Day—Mrs. C. E. Jones.
Fourth Sunday—



Advent.

The Church's New Year brings us the
joy-bearing message of Peace, through
worship, hope, service and joy.

The royal purple of the Church's vestments betokens the near presence of our King.

The spirit of eagerness, gladness and joy pervades our lives during this period of preparation.

Our mind instinctively includes others—for we cannot enjoy joy alone. Our efforts find some one to whom we can render loving service in the name of the Lord, Whom then we can worship unrestrainedly on His birthday.

THE COMING OF THE KING

(From a Sixteenth Century Manuscript in Christ Church Library, Oxford.)

Yet if His Majesty, our Sovereign Lord
Should of His own accord
Friendly Himself invite,
And say, "I'll be your guest tomorrow
night,"
How should we stir ourselves, call and
command
All hands to work! "Let no man idle
stand."

"Set me fine Spanish tables in the hall;
See they be fitted all;
Let there be room to eat
And order taken that there want no
meat.
See every scone and candlestick made
bright
That without tapers they may give a
light."

"Look to the presence: are the carpets
spread,
The dazie o'er the head,
The cushions in the chairs,
And all the candles lighted on the stairs?
Perfume the chambers and in any case
Let each man give attendance in his
place."

Thus, if a king were coming, would we
do;

And 'twere good reason, too;
For 'tis a duteous thing
To show honor to an earthly king,
And after all our travail and our cost,
So he be pleased, to think no labor lost.

But at the coming of the King of
Heaven

All's set at six and seven;
We wallow in our sin,
Christ cannot find a chamber in the inn:
We entertain Him always like a stranger,
And, as at first, still lodge Him in the
manger.



Alleluia!

Christ is born
The Son of God,
The Son of Man.
Heaven and its Angels sing praise;
Earth and its shepherds are glad.

Alleluia!

Bishop Tuttle.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

DECEMBER

Judgment.

November 30.—Jesus the Judge, St. John 5:25-30.

December 1. Joy at Judgment, Psa. 96.
2. Assembling for Judgment, St. Matt. 25:31-46.

3. St. Matt. 25:31-46, A Picture of Judgment.

4. Judgment of Spiritual Vision, St. John 9:33-41.

5. The Judge of the World, Acts 17:22-31.

6. The Judge at the Door, Rev. 3:14-22.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who at Thy first coming didst warn us to prepare for the day when Thou shalt come to be our Judge; mercifully grant that, being awake from the sleep of sin, we may be always watching and intent upon the work Thou hast given us to do; Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.



Patience.

7. In Waiting, St. Jas. 5:7-11.

8. In Spite of the Wicked, Psa. 37:1-11.

9. In Persecution, St. Luke 21:12-19.

10. In Hope, Rom. 15:1-6.

11. In Tribulation, St. Jas. 1:2-12.

12. In Suffering, I St. Peter 2:19-25.

13. In Work, Rev. 2:1-7.

Blessed Lord, by Whose Providence all Holy Scriptures were written and preserved for our instruction, give us grace to study them with patience and love. Strengthen our souls with the fulness of their Divine teaching. Keep us from all pride and irreverence. Guide us in the deep things of Thy heavenly wisdom, and of Thy great mercy lead us by Thy word unto everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.



A New Heart.

14. A Changed Heart, St. Luke, 3:1-14.

15. A New Heart, Psa. 51:10-17.

16. A Softened Heart, Ezek. 36:24-28.

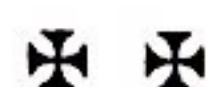
17. An Awakened Heart, St. Luke, 15:11-19.

18. A Loving Heart, St. Matt. 22:34-40.

19. A Quickened Heart, Acts 2:37-47.

20. An Instructed Heart, Acts 19:8-20.

O Almighty God, Who by Thy holy Apostles hast taught us to present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto Thee, we come unto Thee in the Name of Jesus Christ and we devote and dedicate ourselves wholly to Thy service with all our heart, henceforth to live only to Thy glory. Do Thou, the very God of Peace, sanctify us wholly, and preserve our whole spirit and soul and body blameless, unto the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.



God's Power With Man.

21. God's Presence, Ex. 33:12-17.

22. The Power of the Spirit, Acts 15:22-29.

23. The Incarnation, St. John 1:9-11.

24. The Nativity, St. Luke 2:1-14.

Almighty and everlasting God, be Thou present with us in all our duties, and grant the protection of Thy presence to all that dwell in this house, that Thou mayest be known to be the Defender of this household and the Inhabiter of this dwelling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Christmas Thoughts.

25. Glory of God's Children, Heb. 2:13-18.

26. Glory through Suffering, Rom. 8:14-18.

27. Glory through Illumination, St. Jno. 12:31-36.

28. Glory through Humility, St. Matt. 18:1-6.

29. Glory through New Birth, St. John 3:1-13.

30. Glory through Renewal, II Cor. 5:16-21.

31. Glory through Work, Gal. 6:9-15.

O Almighty God, Who by the Birth of Thy Holy Child Jesus hast given us a great light to dawn upon our darkness, grant, we pray Thee, that in His light we may see light to the end of our days; and bestow upon us, we beseech Thee, that most excellent Christmas gift of charity to all men, that so, the likeness of Thy Son may be formed in us, and that we may have the ever-brightening hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ADDRESS AT CONGREGATIONAL DINNER

My dear Friends:

We are gathered together here, for social purposes, but with also a serious intent. We are interested in the Parish and have its welfare at heart. We meet for mutual encouragement, wise counsel, frank discussion.

Ordinarily few of the people ever realize the problems which confront the Vestry of this or any other Parish. The Vestry is composed of men elected by the Parish as your representatives in caring for the material welfare of the Parish. They give freely of their time without thought of reward, especially the Accounting Warden and those who assist him. The Vestry deserves your loyal support and co-operation.

The Committee on Arrangements, which has managed the dinner so well, has suggested that Parish affairs be treated in a threefold way—showing the spiritual, physical and financial condition.

You will realize that there is no way by which the real spiritual condition can be adequately judged or described. The other two matters are subject to ocular or tangible demonstration.

I cannot read your souls, to ascertain how far you have grown in the knowledge and love of God—though many of you have confided to me some of your difficulties. The spiritual condition can only be estimated therefore. It depends on the people, their interest, their activities, their movements.

True it is usually shown in financial results, which are called spiritual barometers. In the past, you have been most liberal to all demands both outside the Parish, where St. Philip's has an enviable name, and—when emergencies have been called to your attention—within the Parish (for it seems to be the history of the Parish to rise to emergencies.)

The past seven years have been a transition period in reconstruction, when old relationships have taken on new aspects.

The re-organization of the National Church, and the new and manifold activities of a civic and community nature have drawn our attention from the Parish as a centre, and focused it on the Diocese as the unit of our Church life—as indeed it is.

There is need of a careful study of What is a Parish? What is its place in the Church? How shall it be conducted to serve its interests and the best interests of the unit of which it is a part.

Really a Parish is a part of a Diocese, with local responsibilities, under the Diocesan who for obvious reasons cannot take personal oversight of every Parish, where the Rector is his Vicar, so to speak, responsible to his Bishop.

Naturally the strength of the Parish internally and externally is a concern of the Bishop, the Rector and the people of the Parish.

The stronger the Parish is, the stronger will be the Diocese.

This is the right perspective. The general Church has been weak because many parishes have seemed independent Congregational bodies, using an Episcopal Prayer Book and receiving an Episcopal visitation from time to time.

I have, during my Rectorship, endeavored to emphasize the reality of Christianity, and have not attempted to popularize it, for I believe that is ultimately a fatal policy, and I have had regard to the future of the Parish, not only the present.

Perhaps the spiritual strength of the Parish may be estimated from the Holy Communion. More people seem to receive the Holy Communion here than in many other parishes of similar or larger size. People seem to receive more frequently. That I hope is an indication of desire, not a mere form. Last Sunday the service of Holy Communion was conducted for the 1000th time.

Church attendance seems proportionately about the same as it was—if any difference the percentage is a shade less. Considering the present drift all over the country, we are holding our own.

Spiritual statistics since 1917 in the gross are gratifying.

The net results, however, are perplexing.

Due to death, transfers, removals from neighborhood, the gain becomes a loss!

After adding 298 persons to the 425 I inherited (some of whom I have never been able to find), we now have 374!

The removal of our members constitutes a grave problem, but the greatly increasing population—perhaps quadrupling—creates a considerable asset. We can say, with St. Paul—"A great door and effectual is open unto us, and there are many adversaries."

The great door of apartment houses is open—but the individual telephones present some adversaries!

The population is far larger than it was seven years ago. It is becoming larger—but not through the birth-rate!

The increase is certainly a spiritual responsibility, though of doubtful material benefit to the Parish. That is—increasingly students and boarders are living within the Parish, particularly at this end. These have souls which must be nurtured, of course.

The transiency of residence in apartment houses is proverbial. While they are here they must be reached, but in the majority of cases they do not add to the continuity of the work of the Parish. There are many notable exceptions amongst our present members, however.

To undertake the great responsibility of reaching the increasing population, new methods must be adopted—which may require the abandonment of some past customs.

I would strongly counsel the Parish not to be led away by temporary success due to superficial attractions in the effort to reach the so-called "floating population."

The Gospel of Christ is strong enough to stand by itself, and should not be weakened by detracting scaffolding.

A reverent, dignified, beautiful service, well rendered, as far as the music is concerned by a good choir, such as we have—with hearty participation by a responsive congregation—a congregation which is courteous and considerate of one another, and constructive addresses building up the Christian faith; these will draw people, and keep them, gradually but irresistibly. It requires PATIENCE.

Most householders are far busier at home than formerly. Most young people obtain employment upon leaving school.

Thus the customary activities of the Parish have suffered, and receive comparatively little new membership. Consequently the growing burden has been carried—and nobly borne—by the present loyal members of the organizations.

We have about 20 per cent. of our communicants under 21. Most of them are in school. These can give little financial support, but form the greatest potential asset of the Parish. We are proud and hopeful of the young people, and ask their loyalty and devotion.

If I may speak on a delicate subject, a mere guess shows that 40 per cent. of our communicants are over—(well, older than I am! This gives stability and maturity of judgment. These have borne the burden and heat of the day.

The other 40 per cent. must be depended on for the support and work of the Parish for the next five or ten years.

There is to my mind a most optimistic outlook—IF we are ready to adjust ourselves and our parochial life to the circumstances with which conditions over which we have no control have surrounded us.

It will require greatly increased income through endowments and current support, for as far as I am able to surmise, the financial capacity of the incoming population is smaller—at any rate harder to touch—than of our former constituency.

A few years ago we had a great challenge presented to us. Here is another great challenge of a different sort forced upon us.

The conclusion of this study of the spiritual side of St. Philip's is—
St. Philip's must be increasingly a forth-giving Parish, ministering to the spiritual needs of the increasing population in the vicinity—but expecting comparatively little return in financial strength or personal activity from this increased population.

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

CONGREGATIONAL DINNER

On Wednesday, November 12, a well-attended Parish gathering assembled in the Parish House and partook of a supper arranged by a Joint Committee from the Vestry and the Women's Guild.

About 125 persons were present, including a goodly number of young people who, after the addresses were concluded, enjoyed an evening of dancing.

Interspersed between the various addresses the soloists, Mrs. Beale and Miss Leetch and Mr. Saylor, of the Choir, sang some delightful songs, with accompaniments by the organist, Mr. Maynard.

Mr. Ralph A. Hershey, acted as Toastmaster.

The Rector was the first speaker, who was asked to present the spiritual condition of the Parish, it being the plan of the Committee to present plainly and frankly the Parish problems pertaining to membership, property and finance, so that all present, and through them the entire Parish, might know all that can be known of our Parish life and prospects.

Mrs. J. Hause Zebley, President of the Women's Guild, explained the annual effort of the Guild to raise at least \$1000 for Parish purposes. For four years this has been done without recourse to bazaars, etc. The "Block Plan" has been used for two years—the effort this year already resulting in an income of over \$700. More contributors were requested so that the usual goal would be reached before the end of the year.

Mr. Charles L. Filbert was called upon, as Chairman ex officio of the Property Committee, to describe the state of the Church property.

It was extremely gratifying to learn that after careful survey and investigation of the entire property, by expert engineers, the report was made that our Church property is in excellent condition, and is in need of no extensive repairs beyond some painting and pointing, and some minor incidental renovations. The chimney on the north side is to be rebuilt and extended in order to secure proper draft—the new apartment house having interfered with the proper functioning of the present chimney. This and the other repairs will cost approximately \$300. In addition the organ has been thoroughly renovated and is now in first-class condition, the cost being about \$1400. Of this sum, \$289 was paid when the contract was signed, \$289 when the repairs were completed, and the balance is to be paid at the rate of \$78 per month.

Mr. F. J. Pryor, Jr., Chairman of the Finance Committee, was then called on. The following statement of parochial finances was submitted, showing a deficit to September 30, of \$1484.14.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1 to September 30, 1924.

Income.

From pledges	\$4482.58
From plate collections	530.28
From subscriptions in lieu of pew rents	718.50
From endowment fund	724.39
From Church School	140.51
From Special Easter Offering	\$1,972.49
Applied to 1923 Deficit	1,454.50
Transferred to Income for 1924	517.99
	<hr/> \$7114.25

Expenses.

Salaries, Clergy and Sexton ..	\$4079.99
Choir and Music	2094.99
Chancel laundry	75.00
Church School	304.24
St. Philip's Record	38.75
Insurance premiums	91.80
Repairs to Church	200.98
Electric Light and Power	210.35
Fuel	619.25
Telephone, printing and miscellaneous	317.71
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Deficit	\$918.81
Payment on account, organ repairs	\$289.00
Rectory maintenance account—Interest	\$300.00
Taxes	207.90
Repairs	128.43
	<hr/> \$636.33
Less rentals received	\$360.00
	<hr/> \$276.33

Total deficit for period\$1484.14

CHAS. L. FILBERT,
Accounting Warden.

Mr. Pryor then read the following analysis of persons connected with the Parish, from whom the income necessary for running expenses is reasonably expected.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

Survey of the Communicant List and the Regular Contributors through the envelope system.

November 10, 1924

Communicants — Contributors —	
Church	229
Communicants — Contributors —	
Church School	17
Contributors not on the Communicant List	13
	259

Not contributing through the envelope system—	
Communicants — registered at St. Philip's	102
Communicants—attending, not on St. Philip's register	51
Communicants—invalids for several years	1
Communicants—not able to subscribe	—
Communicants—Young people attending Sunday School — no income	10
Non-Communicants attending Church	16
	184

TOTAL NAMES ON CHURCH LIST	443
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From this it appears that practically one-third of the attendants or members of the Parish are contributing nothing towards its support, save what they may give in the "loose offering" when they attend services.

It was forcefully pointed out (1) that the Vestry cannot arrange a budget for the efficient management of the Parish unless it knows in advance the definite amount of income reasonably sure; (2) that the pledges to be solicited during the Annual Every Member Canvass should be sufficiently large to cover the running expenses of 1925; and (3) that the existing deficit of nearly \$1500 should be paid before the end of this year.

Mr. Pryor stated that the expenditures of the Parish could not be decreased in any way, as the appropriations were now at the lowest figures—that the only way to enable the Parish to continue its work was to increase its income, and that he

counted on the loyal co-operation of every one attending St. Philip's to meet the situation.

The dinner was very successful, both in its social feature, where new and former members grew to know one another better, and in its other side of informing the Parish about itself.



1925 QUOTA

Reverend and Dear Sir:

The Executive Council has adopted as a budget for maintenance for 1925 a total of approximately \$550,000 divided as follows:

Budget of the Diocese for Maintenance	\$215,266.72
Budget of the National Council for Maintenance	334,880.00

Total

\$550,146.72
The Finance Department has carefully considered this figure, and in recognition of the experience of the past few years, has recommended that the Diocese should apportion to the parishes and missions \$100,000 less than the above total or \$450,146.72.

To raise this minimum sum to apply to the budget (which will soon be printed and distributed to you), the Finance Department has instructed the Quota Committee to allot to your congregation as the minimum amount needed from your people in 1925 the sum of \$4900 (Four thousand, nine hundred).

This is approximately ten per cent. more than you were asked to give in 1924. This includes the Sunday School Lenten Offering and the Special Thanksgiving Offering for the Episcopal Hospital. It does not include any amount for Forward Work in the Diocese (such as the Bishop's Call) nor the priorities of the National Program. In regard to these latter items, it is hoped that your Parish will participate at a later time when the matter is presented to you for consideration.

It is, therefore, most important that your Vestry include in your Parish Budget for 1925 the amount of \$4900 to apply to the budget for maintenance as prepared by the Diocese and the National Council.

For the Finance Department and the Quota Committee,

THOMAS J. GARLAND.

WILLIAM P. BARBA,
EDWARD H. BONSALE,
REYNOLDS D. BROWN,
GILBERT E. PEMBER,
PERCY R. STOCKMAN,
Secretary.

THE WOMEN'S GUILD

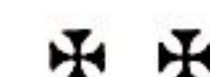
The November meeting was devoted to hearing the returns from the "Block Letter" sent to the friends of the Parish (as described at the Congregational Dinner).

Money given for the work of the Benevolent Chapter of the Guild comes from this Fund. We hope that all who have not yet sent in their share of "blocks" will do so as soon as they can.

The Guild will hold an all-day meeting on December 10 from 10 A. M. The regular meeting will be held at 3 P. M. on the same day. Members will sew on work assigned to the Woman's Auxiliary by the Supply Bureau.

All are invited to come and bring their lunch. Tea and coffee will be served.

MARTHA W. HARPER,
Corresponding Secretary.



Interesting.

It does not often happen—but at an early service in St. Philip's recently, more men and boys were present than women.

It was not a special corporate communion—just the weekly remembrance of our Lord's Resurrection.



United Thank Offering.

An item of interest to those who use the "Little Blue Box." There are 75 workers at home and 117 abroad, supported by the U. T. O. Twenty-one are on the retired or disabled list, and eight are in training.

St. Philip's contributed \$229 during the past year. We have but 63 who give towards the work "of women for women." Have we not more who are willing to show their thankfulness? Of the amount given, the Mothers' Meeting contributed one-third. Our Fall Collection was \$100.

HELEN B. FULTON.



Christmas Decorations.

You will, of course, desire to share in the decoration of the Church for the Christmas season. Contributions for this purpose will be gratefully received by the Altar Guild.

CHRISTMAS

The services on Christmas Day will be as follows:

Holy Eucharist—7.30 and 11.

There will be no sermon. Let all our people come and worship—"Worship Christ, the new-born King."

Arrange now to attend one of the services, and let no household or social engagement interfere. Christmas joy and festivity can best be enjoyed when we have first greeted the Infant Saviour, as did the shepherds of Bethlehem long ago.



Special Preacher.

On the morning of November 23, the sermon was preached by the Rev. Amos Goddard, Principal of St. John's High School, Kuikiang, China.

Mr. Goddard is a Philadelphian, and an alumnus of the Philadelphia Divinity School, who has spent virtually all of his ministry as a missionary in China.



Our Substitutes at the Front.

The number of missionaries supported in whole or in part by appropriations through the Department of Missions for the year 1923 was as follows:

	Men	Women
American Missionaries abroad.	193	243
Native Staff abroad	1329	661
American Missionaries in the U. S.	593	128
Native Staff in the U. S.	92	5
Total	2207	1037
		3244

These figures show an increase of 139 workers over 1922.

YOUR contributions to Missions assist in maintaining this "noble army."



St. Philip's Quota.

Our remittances, on account of the extra-parochial quota of \$4500, up to October 31, were \$2022.25.

Will be balance—\$2477.75—be received by December 31?

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF RESTING

The tendency of our age is toward greater mental stress and physical strain. The scores of new inventions, such as the motorcar and the flying machine, are setting the pace, and it is the pace that kills. Life, it is true, consists in activity for a progressive purpose, but the inward energy of living beings must be harmoniously adjusted to their outward environment. At present the vital energy of our race is not able to keep up with the mechanical progress of our age. Statistics show that high-blood pressure has increased over 40 per cent. in the last ten years.

There is, however, one hopeful feature. The new science of the mind can teach us the art of resting. There is a close connection between the sub-conscious mind and the sympathetic nervous system. The three links in the vital chain are mind energy, nerve energy and muscular energy. Pick up this chain by the one end and we find that excessive muscular action causes exhausted nerve forces, and exhausted nerve force produces mental fatigue. Pick up this chain by the other end and we discover that excessive mental activity produces nervous exhaustion, and nervous exhaustion leads to physical break-down.

In seeking to counteract the tendency of this rushing age toward premature physical collapse, the first requisite is a restful mind. To secure this it is necessary to drop the idea of rest deep into the sub-conscious mind. Without any effort the conscious mind must slowly revolve round this idea of rest to the exclusion of all other ideas. Muscular relaxation through the law of association is an aid to this process.

Half an hour each day of systematic muscular relaxation and perfect mental rest would work wonders with high-strung nervous people. To anyone willing to learn the art of resting we would say: Sit in a reclining chair with the body stretched out in a comfortable position and the feet up. Give yourself firmly the repeated suggestion: "I am relaxing. All the muscles of my body are growing limp. My mind is resting." Then bring your religion into action. Rest in the Lord. Claim the promise of perfect peace made to those who stay their mind upon their God.

Only by combining the help of both psychology and religion can we hope to offset the killing pace of this rushing age.

In this connection nothing could be more appropriate than the words of Whit-tier:

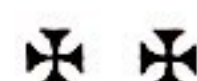
"Drop Thy still dews of quietness,

Till our strivings cease;

Take from our soul the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess

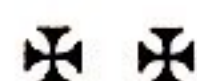
The beauty of Thy peace."

F. H. DU VERNET,
Archbishop of Caledonia.



WASTE MORE THAN WE GIVE TO THE CHURCH

We waste more than we give to the Church, and luxuries take a large toll out of our domestic income, according to a tabulation prepared by The American Education Digest. Living costs come highest in the expenditure, while miscellaneous, that bugbear of the householder, also swallows up a lot that leaves no trail. The figures show: for the Church, three-quarters per cent.; schools, one and one-half per cent.; Government, four and one-half per cent.; crime, eight and one-quarter per cent.; investment, 11 per cent.; waste, 14 per cent.; luxuries, 22 per cent.; living costs, 24 and one-half per cent.; miscellaneous, 13 and one-half per cent. Arithmetic, observes The Christian Register, says we waste 18 times as much as we give to organized religion.—"The Witness."



A Statement from the National Council.

"We are now sailing as close to the wind as safety permits. No further economics in the budget can be recommended or efficiency would be impaired.

"We must increase our receipts or order a retreat. If we go forward, it must be in a guarantee of the present, not on a guess of the future.

"The Church of 1925 must make possible the program of 1925."

"Under the National Council, the deficit of the National Church at the end of 1923 was \$13,134 less than it was at the end of 1919" (before the reorganization of the Church.)

YOUNG PEOPLES' CONVENTION

On November 17, 1924, the Annual Convention of the Young People's Fellowship of the Diocese of Pennsylvania was held at St. Mark's, Frankford. The meeting, consisting of 259 young people and Councilors, representing seventeen Y. P. S.'s, was opened with a supper at 6.30 P. M. After this we adjourned to the church, where we were welcomed by the Rev. L. F. Potter, the rector of that church. A devotional service was conducted by their young people, and a musical selection was rendered by two of their choir. We returned to the parish house for our business meeting. The Rev. Charles E. Luke, of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne, presided and gave us the history of the young people's movement.

Reports were given by the various societies, stress being laid upon any markedly successful points of organization or procedure in meeting.

A Nominating Committee brought back five names for the five offices. These were unanimously accepted. They are:

President—K. H. Williams.

Vice-President—Mary Moore.

Vice-President—Carl Atterbury.

Secretary—Clara V. Stackhouse.

Treasurer—Gus Hubert.

A secretary for our publications in the "Church News" was also appointed.

The five officers, with five others—Rev. Fred E. Seymour, St. Philip's Church; Rev. Charles E. Luke, Church of St. John the Evangelist; Rev. L. F. Potter, St. Mark's Church; Miss Patton, Holy Apostles Church—who were appointed by the Department of Religious Education, with the Bishop an honorary president, form the Diocesan Council on Young People's Societies.

The Articles of Confederation were read by the new President.

Another Mr. Williams, not the President, who had been present at the recent National Convention of Young People at Racine, Wisc., gave a report of this convention.

The address of the evening was given by the Rev. J. C. Crossan, rector of St. Jude and the Nativity.

Six representatives from St. Philip's Church were present.

Buying Happiness.

"What would happen if one of the good children's books you have just been enjoying could be put into the hands of some child who has known enough of the wonders and delights that lie between the covers of a book to be unutterably hungry for more?" The Church Periodical Club can turn money into happiness.



Church-Going in Alaska.

"A service at 3 A. M." "Another at 2.30 A. M." "Everybody in town but four present." At a camp service a miner said, "Doesn't it do a man good to hear the statement of the Christian faith once more."

—Read Archdeacon Drane's Travels, in "The Spirit of Missions."



Factory Life in China.

"Some Chinese children are mere tots. They stand for 13 hours at night before their machines with nothing to eat but the cold rice they may have carried to the mills. They eat the cold food standing up at the machines. One night in every ten they have a holiday. On that free night they go to Christian schools—for instruction half the time, and for recreation during the rest."



In the Caribbean.

"The Roamer (missionary) secures permission to conduct service, sometimes in the club room, at other times in one of the cottages. If in the club, he may have to compete with the adjoining bar for 'the springs in the valleys' are not the only places where 'the young asses quench their thirst'."



A SCHOOL PRAYER

A little prayer appearing in the Sarum Primer, in the year 1558, says:

God be in my head

And in my understanding.

God be in mine eyes

And in my seeing.

God be in my mouth

And in my speaking.

God be in my heart

And in my thinking.

CHEERFUL CONFIDENCES

By Rev. George Parkin Atwater

Every parish ought to have a flock of trained birds, who would whisper to the Rector the news of the illness of any of the people.

The little birds carry so much news that it seems strange that they avoid these particular items.

Mrs. B. is ill. And she wonders why the Rector does not call. But so far as the Rector is concerned, her illness is a dark secret.

He does, indeed, meet Mrs. B.'s neighbor on the street car, and has ten minutes' talk with her. The neighbor has been carrying delicacies to Mrs. B. for a week. And the neighbor talks about the weather, about her garden, about the children, about the movies, about an operation which a neighbor of her uncle, in Fargo, had undergone, about her symptoms, but never a word about Mrs. B.

Later the neighbor calls on Mrs. B. and says, "It's strange that the Rector does not call. He is in town. I saw him on the street car."

The Rector meets Mr. B. at the club. "How's the family?" asks the Rector. "Fine," says Mr. B., whose mind is on a score of business affairs, and who has the habit of saying "Fine."

That night Mrs. B. asks her husband if he has seen the Rector. "Sure, I saw him at the club today."

"Did you tell him I was ill?"

"Undoubtedly," says the panicky husband, who does not remember what he told the Rector. So he makes up his mind to telephone him in the morning and make sure.

He does call up, but the Rector is not at home. So the day passes. The Rector remains in blissful ignorance. Mrs. B. recovers and by chance the Rector learns the facts. Then he calls. Mrs. B. is forgiving, but assumes no responsibility. "Both my neighbors and Mr. B. told you I was ill," she states with firm finality.

The telephone companies once had the

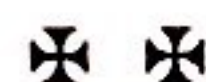
custom of calling up each morning just as you were in the bath-tub, and when you crept to the phone in a dripping dressing-gown, the operator would say, "We are testing the line. Thank you."

Now I suggest that the telephone companies do a real service for the Church, by calling up each morning and saying, "Is any one ill at your house?" If they got an affirmative answer, they would then inquire the name of the patron's minister and report.

Some day a genius will discover the way to do mental broadcasting, and the Rector may have a chance to learn of the illness of his people.

But the Rector may take heart. The people like the contriteness of his explanation and the pleasure of the reconciliation. And if they really wanted him, some one would step to a telephone and tell him so.

But in the meantime if you see your Rector, and know of the illness of one of his parishioners, tell him of it. He would much prefer to forego the details of a last year's illness, if he could learn of current events.



IN THE SOUTH SEAS

An Englishman, walking along the beach of one of the South Sea islands, of which the natives had once been cannibals, passed a native squatting at a fire over which he was roasting a fish. The white man asked the native where he got it, and the reply was that the good Lord had sent it to him.

"O," said the white man, "do you believe that stuff about God? I never have found that He did anything for me."

"O, yes, He did," answered the native, "because if He hadn't, either you wouldn't be here at all or you would be where the fish is."

THE PRIME MINISTER TO CHINA

W. W. Yen, who has just become Prime Minister of China, is a Christian and an active member of the Chunghua Sheng-Kung-hui, or Episcopal Church in China. That a believer in the Christian Faith and one active in its counsels should be named to a post which makes him the head of the Peking Government, is believed by Church leaders to be a highly satisfactory illustration of what is being accomplished by the Christian Missionary movement in the Orient.

An additional interesting fact with regard to the new Chinese Premier is that it was at the knee of the Rt. Rev. Sidney Catlin Partridge, of Kansas City, Bishop of West Missouri, that Mr. Yen learned his English A. B. C.'s. That was in 1882, when Bishop Partridge was a professor at St. John's Episcopal School, Shanghai, chief theatre of the war which is now being waged in China. It is also told of the new head of the Peking Government that he was confirmed in the Christian faith by, and received much of his early religious instruction from the late Bishop Isaac I. Shereschewski, also of Shanghai, a native of Poland, who entered the mission service of the Church and made the first translation of the Bible into the Chinese language.

The new Premier is of the second generation of Chinese Christians, his father, Rev. Y. K. Yen, having been a graduate of Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, and rector of a native Chinese Christian Church. The son, named after the late Bishop Williams, of China, was educated at St. John's School, later studied at Columbia University, and then returned to China, where he was engaged in teaching at St. John's when he was called to Peking to enter the service of the Government, in which he has since been employed. During the World War, Mr. Yen was the Chinese Minister at Berlin. He was named as a delegate from China to the Washington Conference on Naval Disarmament, but was prevented from attending because of his duties as Foreign Minister in the ministry then in power.

He is a man of wide influence in China because of his wide knowledge of world affairs and his broad, Christian outlook, and his strength among his own people is illustrated in the fact that his election to the office was brought about by a unanimous vote.



MY CHURCH AND I

My Church is the place where the word of God is preached, the power of God is felt, the Spirit of God is manifested, the Love of God is revealed, and the Unity of God is perceived.

It is the home of my soul, the altar of my devotion, the hearth of my faith, the centre of my affections and the fore-taste of heaven.

I have united with it in solemn covenant, pledging myself to attend its services, to pray for its members, to give to its support and to obey its laws.

It claims the first place in my heart, the highest place in my mind, the principal place in my activities, and its unity, peace and progress concern my life in this world and that which is to come.

I owe it my zeal, my benevolence and my prayers. When I neglect its services, I injure its good name, I lessen its power, I discourage its members and I chill my own soul.

I have solemnly promised, in the sight of God and men, to advance its interests by my faithful attendance, by reading the Holy Bible, by never neglecting its ordinances, by contributing to its support, by meeting with my fellow-members, by watching over their welfare, and by joining with them in prayer and praise and service; and that promise I this day renew, before God my Father, Christ my Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit my Sanctifier.

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and for the

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Reverend Frederick E. Seymour, S. T. B.

SERVICES:

Sundays, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion
11.00 A. M. Morning Service, (First and Third Sundays
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7.45 P. M. Evening Service

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On other Sundays, assembling in Church for Worship,
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STANDING NOTICES

The Rector should be notified immediately in case of sickness.
Prompt notices should be given of change of address.

The Rector should be consulted before arrangements are made for Baptisms Mar-
riages or Burials.

The church is supported by voluntary contributions. Each worshiper is asked to
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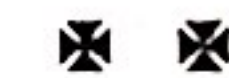
CHURCH CALENDAR

March.

- 7—Third Sunday in Lent.
- 14—Fourth Sunday in Lent.
- 21—Fifth (Passion) Sunday in Lent.
- 25—Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- 28—Sunday next before Easter (Palm Sunday).
- 29—Monday before Easter.
- 30—Tuesday before Easter.
- 31—Wednesday before Easter.

April.

- 1—Maundy Thursday.
- 2—Good Friday (Strict Fast).
- 3—Easter Even.
- 4—Easter Day.



PARISH REGISTER

FEBRUARY

Burials.

- 5—Mary Manley Cunningham.
- 16—Adaline Godshall.

Communicant Transferred.

- 15—Beatrice Childs Wool to St. John's Church, Lansdowne.



ALTAR FLOWERS

Memorial flowers are furnished each Sunday in March as follows:

- First Sunday—Mrs. E. H. Williamson.
- Second Sunday—Mrs. T. B. Starling.
- Third Sunday—Mrs. C. F. Sackett.
- Fourth Sunday—Miss H. Williams.

Flowers are also provided for the Chapel Altar as follows:

- First Sunday—Mothers' Meeting.
- Annunciation—Miss L. H. Johnson.
- Fourth Sunday—Miss L. H. Johnson.

Miss A. M. Christman is in charge this month, and will gladly assign vacant Sunday to those desiring to contribute memorial flowers.



Easter Decorations.

Contributions are earnestly solicited for potted plants and flowers to be used as Easter decorations. According to custom, these will be distributed to the sick of the parish after Easter Day.

Suggestions for the Churchman.

The Churchman will come to church at least once every Sunday. A real reason will be necessary to keep him away. If there is such a reason he will have his own service out of his own Prayer Book.

He will come to church on time, kneel for the prayers, sing the hymns, say the responses.

He will receive the Holy Communion with regularity; certainly not less than once in a month and if possible oftener.

He will say his private prayers morning and evening and every day.

He will ask God to bless his meals. "Bless, O Lord, these Thy gifts to our use and us to Thy Service for Christ's sake. Amen."

He will read his Bible.

He will make a regular contribution to his Church according to the local plan of giving.

He will also make a regular contribution to the missionary work of the Church.

He will become a member of some parish organization and help forward the parish activities.

He will subscribe to some Church paper and read it in order that he may be up-to-date as a Churchman.

He will invite his friends to come to church with him and will speak well of the Church to them. In other words, he will be a missionary.

He will be loyal to God, to the Church, and to his parish in all things at all times.



"Public morality is like the tide, ever ebbing and flowing. Public conscience is like the sea, mighty and undefilable, purifying even itself."

"Nothing of vital importance to a community should be regarded as alien to, or apart from the life of their Church."—Polly Pat's Parish.

PARISH SANCTUARY

Bible Readings and Prayers.

"Give heed unto reading." "Continue steadfastly in prayer."

MARCH

God's Will.

1. Reward of Righteousness, Isa. 61.
2. Call for Workers, St. Mark 3:14-35.
3. Charge to the Twelve, St. Mark 9:33-37.
4. Reward for Work, St. Matt. 19:27-30.
5. Ultimate Test, St. Luke 14:25-35.
6. St. Paul's Estimate, II Cor. 6:1-10.

O God, who hast commanded us to be perfect, as Thou our Father in heaven art perfect: put into our hearts, we pray Thee, a continual desire to obey Thy holy will. Teach us, day by day, what Thou wouldest have us do, and give us grace and power to fulfill the same. May we never, from love of ease, decline the path which thou pointest out, nor, for fear of shame, turn away from it, for the sake of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Man's Need

7. Source of Supply, Isa. 55.
8. The Soul's Aspiration, Psalms. 42.
9. Our Daily Bread, St. Matt. 4:1-4.
10. Our Heavenly Food, St. John 6:47-59.
11. Our Sacramental Bread, St. Luke 22:7-30.
12. The Living Water, St. John 4:1-15.
13. The Water of Life, Rev. 22:1-12.

Almighty God, Who dost promise to them that hunger and thirst after righteousness that they shall be filled; Grant that Thy servants may be fed with the True Bread of Life, that through His strength they may walk in the Way that leadeth unto everlasting life, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Forgiveness.

14. Prayer for Forgiveness, I Ki. 8:46-52.
15. David's Lesson, II Sam. 12.
16. The Unjust Steward, St. Matt. 18:21-35.
17. Our Lord's Comment, St. Matt. 6:5-15.

18. Our Measure of Mercy, St. Matt. 7:1-5.
19. The Test of Sincerity, St. Matt. 5:21-26.
20. The Breadth of Mercy, St. Matt. 5:43-48.

Send Thy peace into my heart, O Lord, that I may always be contented with Thy mercies and confident of Thy protection, that, having forgiven others as Thou dost forgive me, I may go to my rest in perfect trust, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Protection From Evil.

21. Strength through Temptation, St. James 1:2-18.
22. Comfort in Adversity, Psalms. 27.
23. God's Goodness, St. Matt. 7:7-12.
24. Dullness of Faith, St. Matt. 14:22-33.
25. Pure in Heart, St. Luke 1:26-37.
26. Perseverance, St. Mark 7:24-30.
27. Seeing God through Trial, Heb. 12:1-15.

We know, O Lord, the weakness of ourselves, and how ready we are to fall from Thee; suffer not therefore Satan to show his power and malice upon us, for we are not able to withstand his assaults alone. Arm us, O Lord, always with Thy grace, and assist us with Thy Holy Spirit in all kinds of temptations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Deliverance.

28. Victory in Christ, St. John 16.
29. Victory through Suffering, Isa. 53.
30. Victory through Death, Psalms. 22.
31. Victory through Christ, St. Matt. 28.

Feed Thy people, O Lord, with Thy grace, and deliver our souls from the death of sin, so that, being filled with Thy mercy, we may be united with the joys of the righteous, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTORAL LETTER

My dear Parishioners:

A lesson hard to learn, especially in America, is the need of quietness, rest of mind, body and soul, for needed refreshment.

While some enthusiasts perform "marathons" of exercise and take their nourishment without stopping, it is significant to remember the result of the first marathon "race." The runner died. Many modern marathoners are in danger of dying mentally or spiritually, because in our busy Western life we do not keep the proper balance of ideas. We do not harmonize rest with refreshment, we consider it laziness. We need to learn from the "changeless" East, the great art of quietness and meditation.

The Church urges you to "come apart and rest awhile," for "in returning and rest shall ye be saved," "in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength." Our Blessed Saviour said "Come unto Me and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me, and ye shall find rest for your souls."

Lent is an occasion for the renewal of strength by learning from Jesus His secret of power and strength, for we must never forget that His power, strength, endurance were so great that they astonished His contemporaries.

The "rest" of Jesus entailed such conditions as these: (1) He had no time, not even to eat, so much work did He accomplish; (2) He rose up early, before it was day, in order to be alone with His Father, in prayer, and gain strength for His work.

He, therefore, while "resting" certainly was not lazy.

Rest is consciousness of the Presence of God, and all "those that wait for Jehovah shall renew their strength."

So we can be busy in the Lord's business (not fussy over petty details which fritter away our strength); (1) spiritually, in worshipping and praying; (2) mentally, in reading and meditating; (3) physically, in serving and exercising our Christian principles for the good of others.

Spiritual "busy-ness" requires concentration of will on God, thinking of God, rather than of self. It is extremely hard work for most of us, to lose ourselves in the contemplation of God.

Mental "busy-ness" is also difficult, for it requires concentration of mind, for long periods, to master a train of reasoning, to grasp a deep subject. Our minds are being pauperized by moving pictures and "topics in brief." The truths of God are too big and important to be presented in pre-digested or condensed form for quick consumption. We need to think.

Physical "busy-ness" is also hard, because of temperament, diffidence, and other duties, but it is the easiest of the three. It is practical and we Westerners are such practical people. It, however, depends in the last analysis on the other two. "Though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, but have not love, it profiteth me nothing."

The strength of Christ was His calm, His quietness, His power of concentration on the supreme values of life.

"O Master, let us walk with Thee
In lowly paths of service free,
Tell us Thy secret, help us bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care."

Affectionately yours,

FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR.

**ST. PHILIPS CHURCH
INCOME AND EXPENSES
January, 1925 and 1926**

INCOME:

	January 1925	January 1926
From Pledges and Collections	\$1,378.97	\$1,429.30
From Miscellaneous Receipts	207.85	288.61
	<hr/> \$1,586.82	<hr/> \$1,717.91

CURRENT EXPENSES AND MISSIONS:

Salaries—Rector, Sexton and Choir	\$641.66	\$653.53
Repairs and Renewals, Taxes, Interest on Mortgage— Rector		29.75
General Expenses	269.71	390.32
Diocesan Assessment		75.00
Transfer to Rectory Fund	62.10	53.55
Transfer to Other Funds	43.60	
	<hr/> \$1,017.07	<hr/> \$1,201.95
Surplus for Period	\$569.75	\$515.96

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. FILBERT,
Accounting Warden.

Missionary Information.

All people ought to be interested in knowing (1) what is being done with the money they contribute for Church work outside the Parish, and (2) what a vast extent of work still remains to be done.

Two opportunities are given this Lent, to obtain this information.

On Tuesday afternoons, at 2.30, Miss E. Randall, of Wayne, describes to those who attend the meetings, what has been done, and what ought to be done, in the various countries of Latin America, the subject of this year's study.

On Friday afternoons at 4.30, a series of illustrated talks on "Our American Cousins," is given by the rector.

Diocesan Moving Pictures.

On one of the worst Sunday evenings of the winter, February 14, the motion pictures of Diocesan institutions were shown in St. Philip's. The congregation numbered nearly 70, who are to be congratulated on being able to come. Our sympathies are with those who were prevented by the weather from attending. They would have been present if it had been possible. They were unfortunately deprived of the privilege of seeing the results of their generosity as it was displayed in the various institutions and organizations which the contributions of the Church in this Diocese maintain.

It is a matter of great pride that the Church is ministering so ably to the spiritual, physical, social and mental needs of the community.

ST. PHILIP'S GUILD

If you were not present at the opening of Pandora's Box on Friday, February 12, you missed a treat, for it was one of the most successful affairs given by the Guild.

At 1 o'clock doors opened on attractively arranged tables and 104 people were served a delicious luncheon. Mr. Seymour gave us hearty greetings and then Mrs. Beath asked each one to tell what was in her "heart." Jokes, conundrums and witty sayings followed in quick succession—then the event so long looked forward to, "Opening Pandora's Box." Miss Bussom told the story of Pandora, and each person selected a gift from the box and displayed it. All felt that a happy afternoon had been spent in an atmosphere of good will and friendliness.

Many thanks are given to the members of the Vestry and to all others who donated gifts and in any way helped to make the occasion such a great success.

On account of the storm the regular Wednesday meeting was postponed and a short business meeting held on Friday, February 12, at 3 o'clock.

Being Missionary month the work of various committees was taken up in detail.

The chairman of the Indian Hope Committee was asked to complete arrangements for the scholarship in the memory of Miss Marguerite Bement. A mission study class has been arranged for Tuesday afternoons during Lent beginning February 23 at 2.30 P. M. Miss Randall will lecture and all are urged to be present.

Mr. Seymour spoke of the increase in our pledge to Missions and also of the importance of the Lenten season. Mrs. Cutting said there were still some sewing to be given out and hoped all would be completed in good time.

E. T. EYER,
Corresponding Secretary.

TRUE WORSHIP

Once upon a time, I have read, a man was carried in a dream to a certain church. In his vision he saw the organist vigorously playing the organ, but no sound was heard. The choir and congregation began to sing, but their voices were not heard. Then the minister began, energetically, to pray, but no tones came from his lips. The man turned in wonder to his angel-guide. "You hear nothing," said the angel, "because there is nothing to hear. These people are not engaged in worship, but only in the form of worship. Their hearts are not touched, and this silence is the silence that is yet unbroken in the presence of God. But listen now." And, listening, the man heard a child's voice, clear and distinct in all that silence, while the minister seemed to pray, and the people seemed to join. Only the child's voice was heard, because only the child's voice was touched. "Our Father which art in heaven." "That," said the guide, "is the only true worship in all this great church today: all the others are concerned with but appearance of worship.—Selected.

**BURGLARY AND THE BIBLE**

Mr. Karl Collings sent the following "as a good argument, if another argument is needed, for religious education." We believe we cannot have too many arguments and hope that this one will receive as wide a circulation as possible:

We have Thor-Sense, the publication of The Thorsens, New York Insurance Brokers, as authority for the following statement issuing from the Rev. B. T. Cornell:

"Anyone would be foolish to contend that mere reading of the Bible in public schools would revolutionize the morals of the nation overnight. It seems equally unwise to assert that it would make no improvement in a generation. The burglary insurance rate is:

\$12.00 a \$1000 in Boston
22.50 a \$1000 in New York
27.50 a \$1000 in Chicago.

"Is there any connection between these figures and the fact that the Bible has been read daily in the public schools of Boston for 65 years, for 22 years in New York, and excluded for 30 years from the schools in Chicago?"

Is insurance becoming the barometer of the country's moral condition?—St. John's Messenger.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

West Philadelphia Sunday School Association.

In spite of extremely inclement weather, one of the best attended winter meetings of this association was held in St. Philip's on February 9.

Supper was served to about 125 persons, by a committee of the Church School Faculty, assisted by the Young People's Society.

Thanks are given to the many friends who assisted generously in donations of time, labor, provisions and money.

Following the supper an interesting business meeting took place.

At 8.15, the subject "The Real Purpose of Religious Education" was ably presented by the Rev. Granville Taylor, Vicar of the Chapel of the Mediator, and the Rev. J. R. McFetridge, rector of the Church of the Redemption, spoke forcefully on "How shall we obtain our purpose."

Profitable discussion then followed, after which the meeting adjourned with the feeling that the evening had been very worthwhile, and that all who attended were inspired to "carry on" the work of religious education with renewed vigor and consecration.



Young People's Society.

The weekly meetings of the Y. P. S. are marked by interesting discussions of important topics, chosen by the members.

During Lent, some part of the Church's work in Latin America is presented by selected leaders.

A group of young people assisted in serving supper to the West Philadelphia Branch Sunday School Association on February 9, and the rector is greatly helped by the young people who address envelopes for the mailing of "St. Philip's Record" and other literature.



"No service is ever wasted. Why isn't service, mere service, enough for us? Why do we demand also to see our success?"—Polly Pat's Parish.

CHURCH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The following members of the Church School have a record of perfect attendance for the past four Sundays:

Mr. H. O. J. Childs, Mr. Gordon Hodge, Miss Katherine Crowell.

Grade 12-G—Miss Newmann, Eleanor Corliss, Claire Williams, Edith Seymour, Amy Pearce, Elizabeth Cottingham, Sarah Graham, Isabel Inglee.

Grade 11-B—Mr. R. A. Hershey, Jack Wolf, Sumner Katz, George Riegner, Henry Smith.

Grade 10-B—Mr. U. G. Beath, Orrick Childs, Charles Barclay, William Witte, Jack Seymour, Thomas Graham.

Grade 9-G—Miss Sara Alfried, Jennet Walker, Margaret Cardeza, Adelaide Wright, Margaret Coburn.

Grade 8-G—Miss Gertrude Bricker.

Grade 7-B—Mr. Bruce McHenry, Lloyd McGinnis, Walter Rile, Donald Wilson.

Grade 7-G—Mrs. W. Crowell, Patricia Kneas, Dorothy Glackens.

Grade 6-B—Mrs. K. B. Roeborough, Charles Sackett, David Conner, William Stephenson.

Grade 6-G—Mrs. L. H. Riegner, Salome Riegner, Esther Graham.

Grade 5—Miss Frances Young, Virginia Wolf, Helen Rees, Emma Leatherberry, Martha Detweiler.

Lower School—Mrs. G. Y. Edwards, Mrs. C. F. Sackett, Lawrence Rile, Wyatt Rosborough, Robert Smith, Eleanor Wolf, George Pearce, Alice Hadley, William Worrkheiser.



LENTEN OFFERING ACTIVITY

Miss Neumann's Class gave its "Second Annual Supper" for the benefit of the Lenten Offering on February 23. Miss Neumann, and the mothers of the girls, and all the members of the class, were busily engaged in providing an excellent menu, and in serving a large number of guests, including the Faculty of the Church School, which latter met for a business session and the transaction of its regular monthly business.

Our goal for the Lenten Offering is \$600—about \$50 more than we gave last year.

Every member of the School will have to do his utmost to reach the goal. But we are not limited to ONE goal!

THE POWER OF THE HOME ATMOSPHERE

(Continued from February Issue)

Atmosphere is easy to overlook, notoriously hard to see. The poisoned air may do its work without being recognized. For the odor does not always sicken us into the consciousness that something is wrong. The temperature easily gets too low or too high without our noticing it. And the damage has been done. In homes with the best of conscious intentions there is often a persistent scolding of the children which masks itself as righteous indignation at their naughtiness and righteous desire for their improvement. But it is nine-tenths selfish irritation at the bother they cause the parents. Disinterested love and forgiveness will not be taught this way. How constantly do parents do the things they ferociously forbid and how rarely do they confess their faults to their own children. Repentance will not be taught this way.

William Law wrote back in the early eighteenth century, but families are not much changed. "As we call our first language our mother-tongue, so we may justly call our first tempers our mother-tempers; and perhaps it may be found more easy to forget the language than to part entirely with those tempers which we learnt in the nursery." We learn no language so well as the language that we breathe in, drink in, absorb without any conscious instruction, from the family about us. No "tempers" stay by us with such persistence and power as the mother-tempers and father-tempers of early years.

It may seem that we are dissolving religion into thin air. There is indeed good precedent for doing so, for no

word belongs more to religion than the word "spirit," and the word spirit and the greatest factor in religious education is the spirit, the breath of home. To put the spirit first is not to say that the latter has no place. Spirit needs a body. And the most important elements in the body of religion are the ideas of religion and the habits of religion. The home that is not stiffened with definite religious convictions and definite religious habits is not founded on a rock. But the letter without the spirit is dead. That home only is the nursery and training ground for the children of God whose atmosphere is constantly cleansed by the breath of God's own Spirit.



WHY WE SHOULD READ THE BIBLE

1. The Bible is the message of God to man. It is the standard of the highest moral teaching.
2. It has made known to us the character and will of God and His purposes of love to our sinful race.
3. The Bible is our best and most authoritative rule of life and conduct.
4. The Bible is the great source of comfort to sorrowing hearts.
5. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the Christian's charter.
6. The Bible is the only source of light for mortal man upon his own future destiny, upon the future of humanity, and upon the life beyond the grave.
7. Its best treasures are only found by those that search for them with all their heart.
8. We owe it to the Bible that we should receive it with personal faith, appropriate its messages to ourselves, and put our own name in every promise.
9. Christ is its grand subject; its design is our good, and the glory of God is its end.
10. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be holy.
11. Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully.

Suggestions for the Systematic Reading of the Bible.

A well known clergyman has suggested the following method of reading the Bible through in a year.

1. He suggests that portions of the Gospels and Psalms should be read daily. A little of each introduced into the daily life will make the whole year different.

2. After the four Gospels have been thus removed from the New Testament there are 23 books remaining: a book of history, the Acts, a book of prophecy, Revelation and 21 letters. Each one of these may be read through on a Sunday afternoon, thus covering the afternoons of 23 Sundays. The first is the book of the Acts, which is the longest. It is a most interesting history of the early Christian church contained in about 36 pages, and it is easy to read 36 pages in an afternoon. Most of the New Testament letters are very short.

3. After 23 Sundays have been used for the New Testament, there will be 29 Sundays left for the Old Testament. It will be a pleasure to read Genesis—one of the wonder-books of the world—in an afternoon. This book is never so impressive as when it is read through at one sitting.

4. There will be 11 Sundays for books of history, viz.: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, two Samuels, two Kings, two Chronicles, including in the 11, Ezra, Nehemiah and Esther.

5. There will be 16 Sundays for the prophets, viz.: Isaiah, Jeremiah with Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi.

6. There will be two Sundays for poetry—the Book of Job and the Book of Proverbs, with Ecclesiastes and the Song of Solomon.

7. A letter or book of the Bible is something like a cake. You want to eat more than a crumb of cake at a time in order to get its flavor. It is necessary to read an entire book of the Bible at one sitting in order to get the connected story or thought of the writer.

8. Genealogical lists may be important for students of family histories: they are neither interesting nor important for seekers after spiritual values. They may be profitably omitted, without loss to the narrative.

HELPS FOR BIBLE READING IN YOUR EMERGENCY

If you have only a few minutes to read and are not familiar with the Bible as God's Word to man, we recommend the following selections to you, as a sort of "First Aid to the Injured." These portions of Scripture that are selected are FOR YOU IN YOUR EMERGENCY.

When in trouble or sorrow, read John 14; Psalms 43, 46.

When men fail you, read Psalms 23, 27.

When you have sinned, read Psalm 32, 51.

When in sickness, read Psalm 41.

Before church service, read Psalm 84.

When in danger, read Matt. 11:28-30; Psalms 34, 91.

When you are discouraged, read Isaiah 40.

When you are lonely or fearful, read Matt. 6:19-34, Luke 15.

When you forget your blessings, read Psalm 16, 103.

When your faith seems failing, read Hebrews 11.

When you want courage, read Joshua 1:1-9.

When looking for happiness, read Colossians 3.

If you are not a Christian, read John 3:16; Matt. 10:32-33; 25:31-46; Rom. 10:9-11.

When leaving home for travel, read Psalm 121.

When you grow bitter or critical, read I Corinthians 13.

Some rules of conduct, read Romans 12.

A warning against selfishness, read James 2.

For a great invitation and opportunity, read Isaiah 55.

A Prayer for Help, read Mark 11:22-24; Luke 11:1-13; Psalms 19, 25.

Assurance of God's protection, read Rom. 8; Psalms 27, 62, 71, 145.

Assurance of God's mercy, read John 10; Heb. 11; Psalms 51, 57, 90, 103.

Assurance of God's Providence, read Matt. 28:20; Psalms 104, 139.

Rewards of a righteous life, read Matt. 5:1-12; Mark 10:17-31; Luke 20:34-36; Psalms 37, 112, 116.

Commit to memory some of these selections: Psalm 119:11.

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